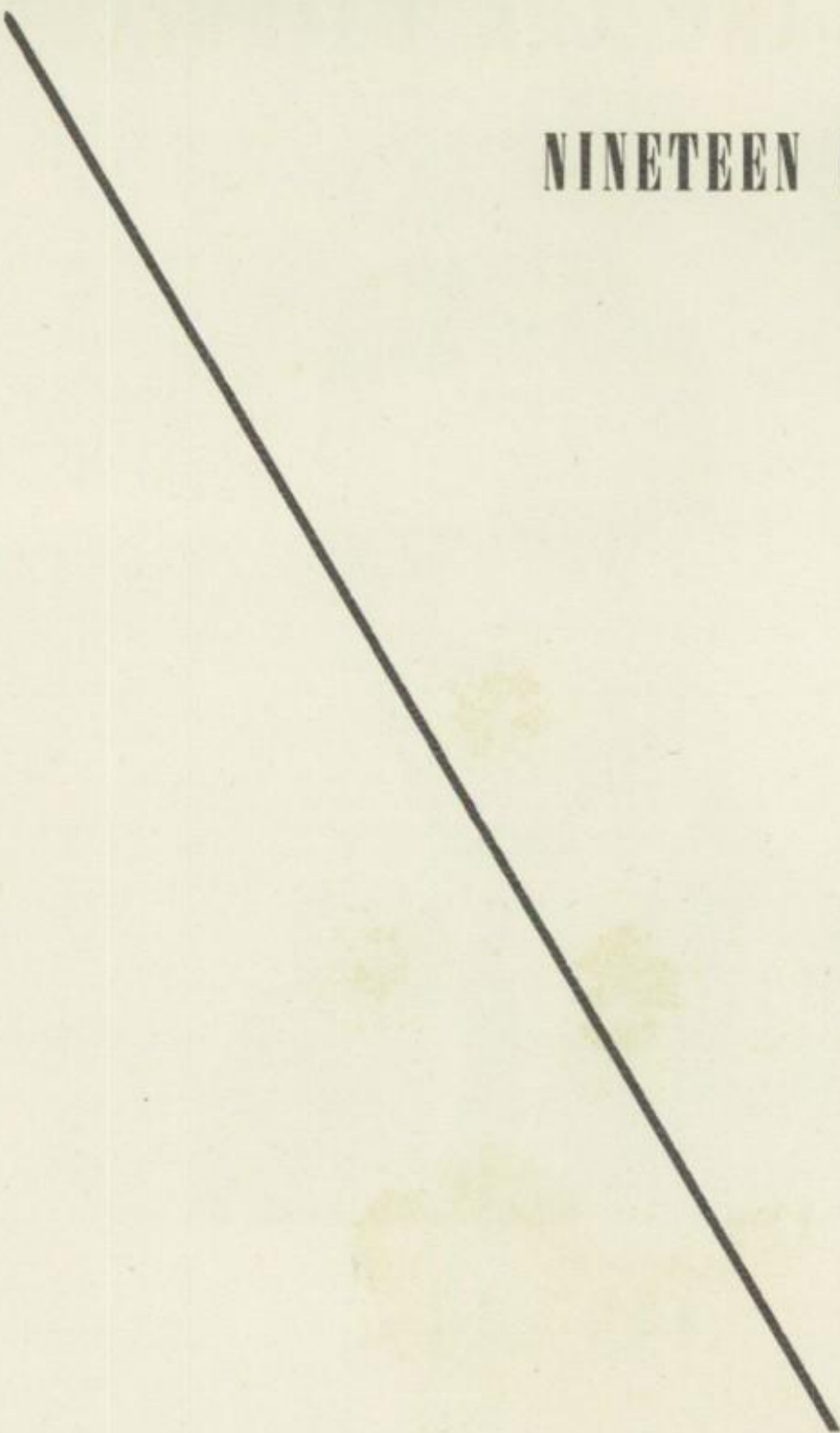




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THE SENIOR CLASS
OF
BELVIDERE HIGH SCHOOL
BELVIDERE, ILLINOIS

IN MEMORY OF

BLAKE LEE RAIRDIN



1937-1956

**Blake will long be remembered for
his readiness to help, his willingness
to work, his sense of humor, and his
friendliness to all.**

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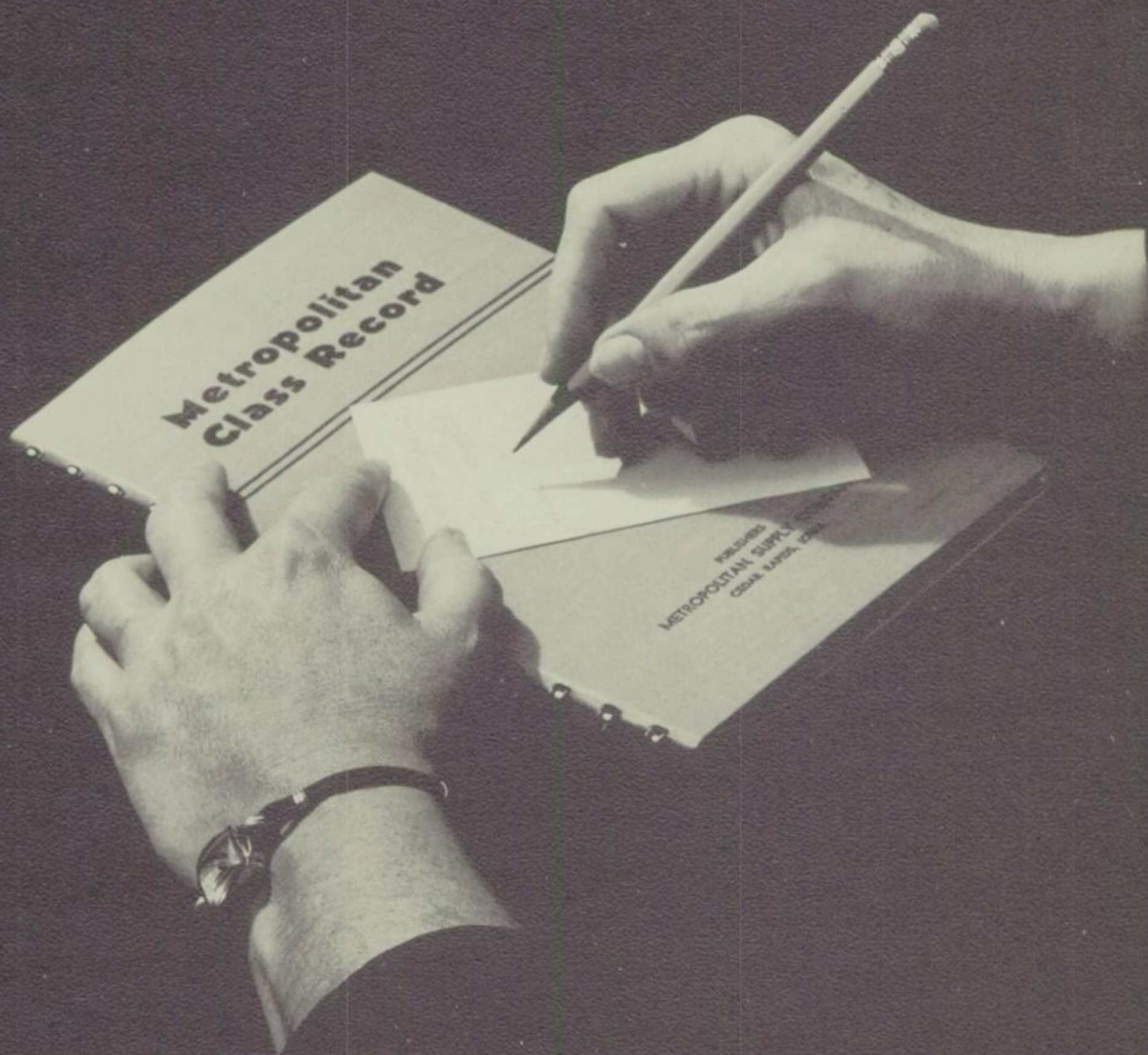
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“...STRONG MINDS, GREAT HEARTS, TRUE FAITH, AND READY HANDS....” J. G. HOLLAND

Our hands, with our minds and hearts, play an all important part in the many activities of our academic and social life in B. H. S. We, the Senior Class of 1956, who have been noted for working together through our high school years, now present to you our yearbook with the knowledge that: Many hands have made light work.

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"Some strokes are easy to make,"
are familiar words in typing class.



Lois Erickson works hard to increase
her shorthand speed.



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Typing I, II; Shorthand.

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Algebra; Trigonometry; Solid
Geometry; Freshman Class Advisor.



Geometry constructions come easy
for Butch Keister.



Lois Carlson and Bob Harms attempt
to solve U. S. History problems.

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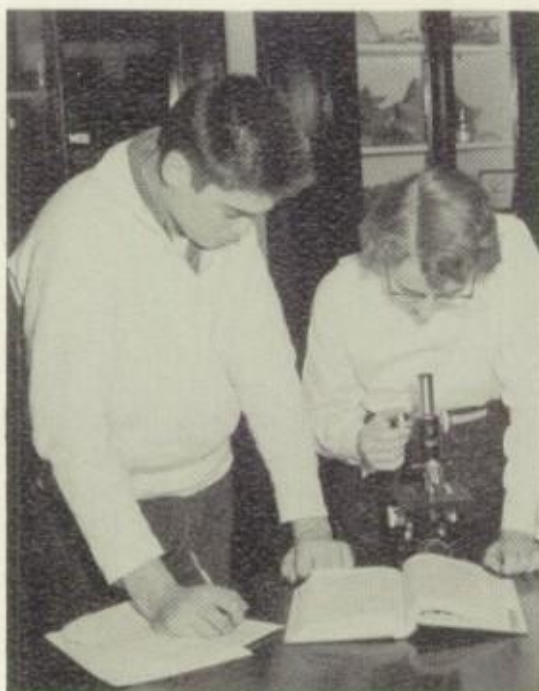


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Unit School District 100.

FACULTY



Geralyn Lepart studies biology problems
while Bruce Crum writes the answer.



Lyle Knop, Ellis Baylander, and John
Taft are learning to use a steel lathe
in machine shop.



Mr. Joe Lewis



Mr. James Meyerhofer

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B. E., University of Missouri;
Director of Athletics of Community
Unit School District 100; Boys'
Physical Education; Varsity Football;
Baseball; B Club Advisor.

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Mr. Wilbur Mong



Mr. Lyle Moss

MR. MOSS
M. A., University of Illinois;
Industrial Arts I, II, III; Mechanical
Drawing; Industrial Arts Club Advisor.



Don Glazer sets up a mechanical
drawing problem... mmmmm... a
white collar worker.



W. S. Mong shows John Bender the
chemical reaction while Dave
Berman studies other reactions.

FACULTY

MR. PATRICK
B. A., University of Illinois;
Civics; Varsity Basketball; Golf;
Tennis; Frosh Football.



Mr. Stan Patrick



Miss Jo Anne Phillips

MISS PHILLIPS
B. A., Southeast Missouri State
Teachers College; General Science;
Biology; Cheerleaders' Advisor;
Girls' Golf.



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MRS. REEVES

B.A., Iowa State Teachers College; Vocal Music in Rural Schools and High School of Community Unit School District 100.

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B.E., Northern Illinois State Teachers College; Director of Audio-Visual Education in Community Unit School District 100; Instructor of American Red Cross First Aid.

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B.S., Knox College; Biology; Student Council Advisor.



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Miss Kathryn Shell

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M.S. in Music Education, University of Illinois; High School Band Director.



Mr. D. Joseph Shiplett

MR. STURM

M.S., Western State Teachers University; General Science; Sophomore Football; Assistant Varsity Basketball; Track.



Mr. Wayne Sturm



Miss Vanessa Werth



Building a hog house is only one of many ag. projects.

MISS WERTH

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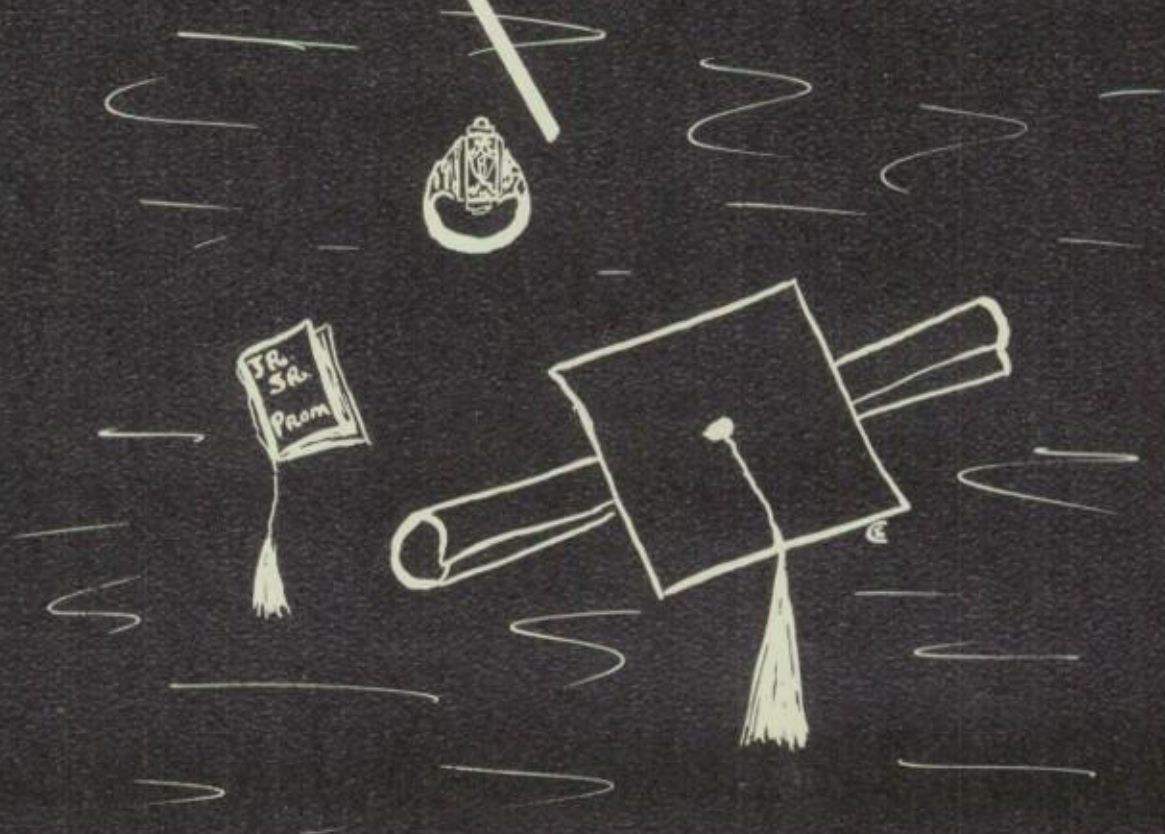
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Miss Dorothy Woldt

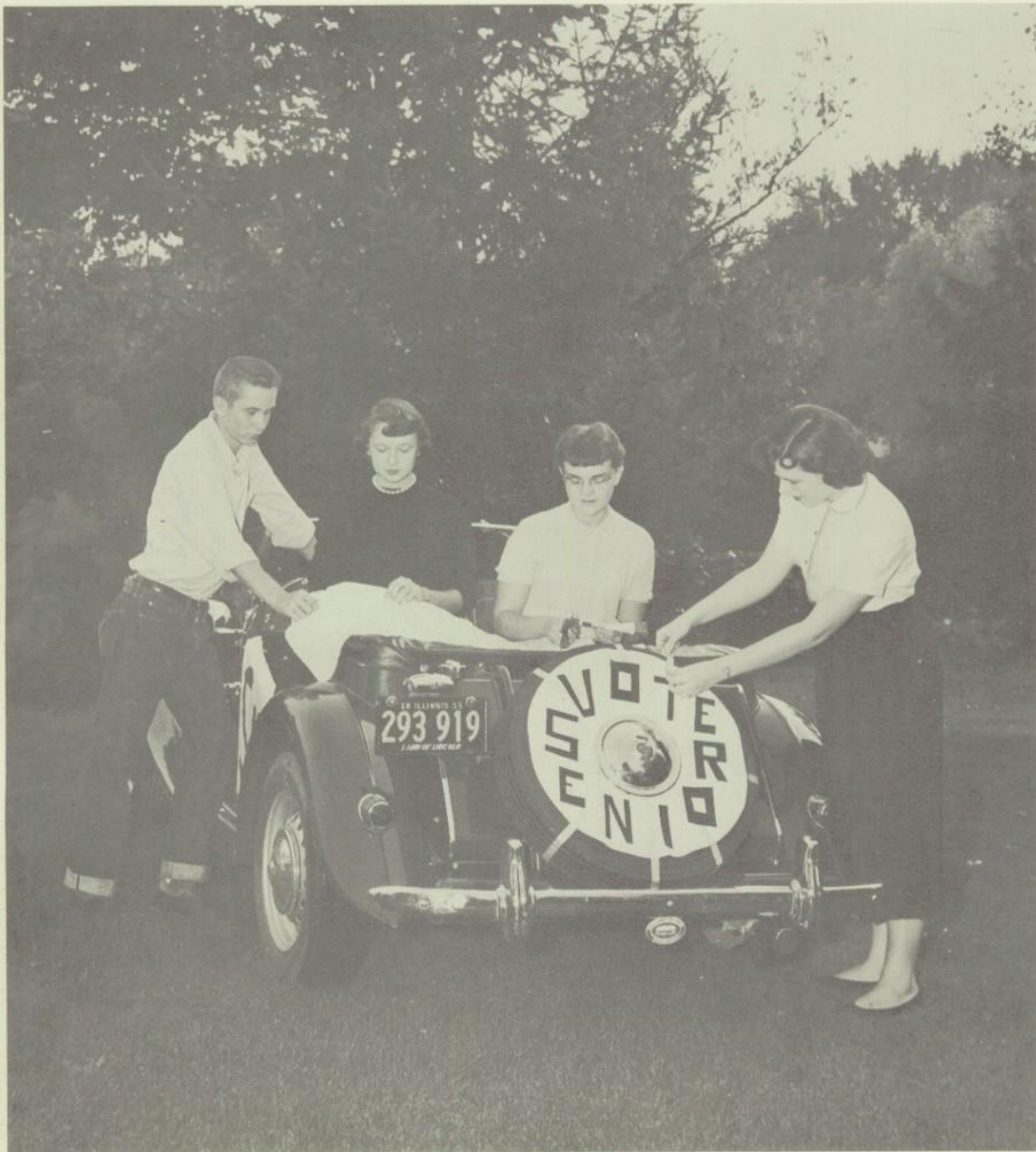
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UPPER CLASSMEN





Seniors



BOB HARMS, Vice-President; LUCILLE STAUFFER, Secretary; DOROTHY JOHNSON, Treasurer; PATRICIA SCHWEBKE, President.

1952-1956

"Hi there, Pat. Are you the senior class president this year?"

"Sure, and I'm really proud to be. We've certainly got a swell class."

"In our freshman year we were supposedly a little green, but we still got into the swing of democratic elections by voting for class officers. They were Bob Berry, Richard Winkelman, Carol Gorman, and Ellen Christensen. Jo Ellen Hoffman and Tom Newell were our first Homecoming candidates. During Christmas time, we showed the upper-classmen that we knew something about art by winning first place in the decoration contest. Our display in the upper hall was a portrayal of the Christmas story. At Council Carnival our candidates, Donna Jo Falkenstein and Paul Rednour, were runners-up, being edged out by only one vote!"

"For our sophomore year the leaders of our class were Richard Winkelman, Lois Carlson, and Janet Ackerman. Carol Leonard and Terry Asbury were our Homecoming candidates. For Christmas we decorated the stairway in the main hallway as a church. Although it took second place, we thought it was outstanding. We started our victorious streak by winning the Council Carnival crowns. Donna Church and Bob Harms were queen and king. Our theme for the Tri Class Dance was 'Gay Carousel.' "

"Heading our junior year were Ronald Goetz, Tom Newell, Kay Cooper, and Jo Ellen Hoffman. We had a happy Homecoming by seeing our candidates, Sallie Strate and Marvin Schuster, crowned as queen and king. Having the stage to decorate for Christmas, we made the shepherd scene which took first place. At a tense Council Carnival, Carol Gorman and Jim Hoines, our candidates were the reigning pair. The total amount of votes cast was more than ever before. A record breaking crowd enjoyed our Junior-Senior Prom, 'Orchids in the Moonlight.' "

"Well, here I am to the last year. Our senior officers are yours truly, Bob Harms, Lucille Stauffer, and Dorothy Johnson. We were really on pins and needles this year at Homecoming until it was accounced that our class had won again. Judie Howlett and Roger Steinke were our candidates. We decorated the stage at Christmas. Our theme was 'There was No Room for Them in the Inn', which took first place honors."

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

FIRST ROW: Carol Gorman, Donna Jo Falkenstein, Judy Chalcraft, Janet Ackerman, Nancy Stroup, Valerie Atkins. SECOND ROW: Loreen Koch, Don Ryoti, Kenneth Nettleton, George Zvonar, Alan Albrecht, Richard Winkelman, Dale Schaetzlein, Charlene Vincent.



ANNOUNCEMENT COMMITTEE
Kay Cooper, Richard Holmquist,
Judie Howlett, Elmer Countryman,
Mary Coppemoll.



MEMORIAL COMMITTEE
Bob Berry, Carol Slater, Chairman
Jarid Simons, Carol Leonard,
Ronald Goetz.

PLAY COMMITTEE

FIRST ROW: Sallie Strate, Jack Manley, Linda Moffatt. NOT PICTURED: Bette Winne, Ann Turner.

REUNION COMMITTEE

SECOND ROW: Alice Nelson, Audrey Moss, Wona Dodge, Jo Ellen Hoffman.





JANET ACKERMAN "Ackie" Class Treasurer 2, Candy Girl 3, Campaign Committee 3, Social Committee 4; G. A. A. 1-4; Social Committee 2; Pep Club 1-4; F. T. A. 4; Girls' Chorus 1, 2; A Cappella 3; Koral Klub 4; Volleyball 2, 3; Bel-Hi Reporter 2, 3.

ALAN ALBRECHT Class Social Committee 4; B Club 2-4; Pep Club 1-4; Advisory Board 4; Football 2; Basketball 2, 3; Track 2, 3; Belvi Photographer 4.

RON ANDERSEN "Andy" B Club 1-4; Pep Club 1-4; Industrial Arts 1; Football 1-4; Baseball 1-3; Intramural Volleyball 1; Intramural Basketball 1, 3.

ELEANOR ANDERSON Class Campaign Committee 3; G. A. A. 1-4; Pep Club 1-4; F. T. A. 2, 3; F. N. C. 4; Band 2-4; Girls' Chorus 1, 2; Library Club 1-4.



SANDRA ARMSTRONG "Sandy" G. A. A. 1; Pep Club 3, 4; F. H. A. 2-4, Treasurer 4; Volleyball 1; Bel-Hi Typist 4.

TERRY ASBURY B Club 1-4, President 4; Pep Club 1-4; Student Council 1, 2; Football 1-4; Basketball 1-3; Baseball 1-3; National Athletic Honor Society 3, 4; Homecoming King Candidate 2; Belvi Staff 4.

JEANETTE ASHENS G. A. A. 1-4; Pep Club 1-4; F. H. A. 2; Volleyball 1-3.

JOHN ASHLEY Pep Club 1-4; F. F. A. 1; Football 2, 3.

SENIORS





VALERIE ATKINS "Val" Candy Girl 3, Social Committee 4; G. A. A. 1-4; Social Committee 2; Pep Club 1-4; F. N. C. 4; Girls' Chorus 1, 3.

SHERRON AUMAN "Sherri" Candy Girl 3, Prom Committee 3; G. A. A. 1-4; Pep Club 1-4, Advisory Board 3; F. T. A. 3, 4; Girls' Chorus 1; A Cappella 2, 3, Secretary 3; Koral Klub 4; State Music Contest Soloist 1; Bel-Hi Reporter 3.

SHIRLEY BARKER "Shirl" G. A. A. 1-4; Pep Club 1-4; F. H. A. 2, 4; A Cappella 3; Koral Klub 4; Library Club 1; Bel-Hi Reporter 2, 3.

ELLIS BAYLANDER B Club 2-4; Pep Club 1-3; Band 1, 3, 4; Baseball 1-3; Intramural Volleyball 3.



JOHN BENDER Transferred from Madison East High School 2; B Club 3, 4; Pep Club 3, 4; Basketball 1, 3; Football 1, 3, 4.

ROBERT BERRY "Bob" Class President 1, Memorial Committee 4; Pep Club 1-4, President 4; Industrial Arts 2-4; Debate 2; Student Council 3, 4; Bel-Hi Reporter 1, 3.

LINDA BROOKS "Twin" G. A. A. 1-4; Pep Club 1-4; F. H. A. 2-4; Girls' Chorus 1; A Cappella 2, 3; Koral Klub 4.

LORNA BROOKS "Twin" G. A. A. 1-4; Pep Club 1-4; F. T. A. 4; Girls' Chorus 1; A Cappella 2, 3; Koral Klub 4; Bel-Hi Reporter 3.





SENIORS



ELSIE BRUHN Candy Girl 3; G. A. A. 1-4; Pep Club 1-4; F. H. A. 2-4; F. N. C. 4; Girls' Chorus 1; Volleyball 2, 3; Bel-Hi Typist 4.

DIXIE BUNGER "Dix" G. A. A. 1, 2; Pep Club 2-4; F. H. A. 2-4; Band 1-4.

JEANETTE CARLSON Candy Girl 3; G. A. A. 1-4; Pep Club 1-4; F. H. A. 2-4; Girls' Chorus 1; Bel-Hi Typist 4.

JEANNINE CARLSON "Neane" Candy Girl 3; G. A. A. 1-4; Pep Club 1-4; Library Club 1-4, President 4; Bel-Hi Reporter 3, Typist 4.

LOIS CARLSON Class Secretary 2, Candy Girl 3, Christmas Decoration Committee 3; G. A. A. 1-4; Pep Club 1-4; F. H. A. 1-3; F. N. C. 4, Vice-President 4; Girls' Chorus 1, 2, Vice-President 2; A Cappella 3; Koral Klub 4; Student Council 1.

SALLY JO CARLSON "Sal Jo" Candy Girl 3; G. A. A. 1-4, Social Committee 2; F. H. A. 3; F. T. A. 2; A Cappella 2-4, Secretary 4.

HELEN CARPENTER "Carpie" Candy Girl 3; G. A. A. 1-4; Pep Club 1-4; F. N. C. 4; Library Club 3, Vice-President 3.

KAY CARVER Candy Girl 3, Tri-Class Committee 3; G. A. A. 1-4; Pep Club 1-4; Girls' Chorus 1, 2, President 2; A Cappella 3, 4; Volleyball 2.

LOHMAN CATRON Transferred from Rollo High School 1; Pep Club 2-4; F. F. A. 1; Band 1; Industrial Arts 3, 4; Track 1; Baseball 1; Basketball 1, 2; Intramural Football 2; Intramural Volleyball 2; Intramural Basketball 3; Intramural Baseball 3; Football 4.

JUDY CHALCRAFT Class Social Committee 2, 4, Candy Girl 3, Christmas Decoration Committee Chairman 3; G. A. A. 1-4, Social Committee 4; Pep Club 1-4; F. T. A. 3, 4, Historian 4; Girls' Chorus 1; A Cappella 2, 3; Koral Klub 4; Bel-Hi Reporter 3, 4.

ELLEN CHRISTENSEN "Mij" Class Treasurer 1; G. A. A. 1-4; Pep Club 1-4, Treasurer 2; F. T. A. 2-4; Band 1-4, President 4; Girls' Chorus 1; A Cappella 2-4; Vocal Treasurer 4; Student Council 3.

DONNA CHURCH Candy Girl 3, Prom Committee 3; G. A. A. 1-4; Pep Club 1-4; F. H. A. 2-4, Secretary 3, President 4; F. N. C. 4; Girls' Chorus 1; Volleyball 2; Twirler 2-4; Council Carnival Queen 2; Bel-Hi Reporter 3; Belvi Staff 4.

KAY COOPER Class Social Committee 1, Secretary 3, Candy Girl 3, Announcement Committee 4; G. A. A. 1-4, Social Committee 3, Vice-President 4; Pep Club 1-4; F. H. A. 2-4; F. N. C. 4; Girls' Chorus 1, 2; A Cappella 3; Koral Klub 4; Debate 2; Library Club 1; Volleyball 2; Bel-Hi Reporter 3, 4.

MARY COPPERNOLL Candy Girl 3, Memorial Committee 4; G. A. A. 1-4, Social Committee 3; Pep Club 1-4, Vice-President 4; F. H. A. 2-4; Girls' Chorus 1, 3; Bel-Hi Typist 4.

ELMER COUNTRYMAN Class Announcement Committee 4; Pep Club 1-4; Student Council 2, 4; Football 1.

DAVE CREGEEN "Squirt" B Club 2-4; Pep Club 1-4; Industrial Arts 2-4; A Cappella 1, 2; Athletic Manager 1.





MARILYN CUMMINGS G. A. A. 1-3; Pep Club 1-4; F. H. A. 2.



ARTHUR DANIEL "Art" Pep Club 1-4; F. F. A. 1-4, Sentinel 3, President 4.



DICK DANIELS F. F. A. 1, 3, 4.



MARJORIE DAWSON "Marge" Candy Girl 3; G. A. A. 1-4; Pep Club 1-4; F. H. A. 2-4.

DAVE DETTMANN "Monk" Pep Club 1-4; A Cappella 1-3; Koral Klub 4; Track 1; Golf 2; Intramural Volleyball 2; Bel-Hi Reporter 3, Assistant Editorial Editor 4.

WONA DODGE Candy Girl 3, Christmas Decoration Committee 3, Reunion Committee 4; G. A. A. 1-4; Pep Club 1-4; F. T. A. 2-4; Girls' Chorus 1; A Cappella 2, 3; Koral Klub 4; Volleyball 1, 2; Bel-Hi Reporter 1-4, Assistant Advertising Editor 2, Advertising Editor 3, 4.

GLENNA DOUTHAT "Nana" Transferred from Maple Park High School 2; G. A. A. 1, 2; Pep Club 4; F. H. A. 1, 2; Girls' Chorus 1, 2.

MARTHA DRUMMOND G. A. A. 1-4; Pep Club 1-4; F. H. A. 2-4; Bel-Hi Typist 4.

SENIORS



JOHN EDE "Swede" Prom Committee 3; B Club 2-4; Pep Club 4; Student Council 4; Intramural Basketball 1; Football 1, 2; Baseball 1, 2; Intramural Volleyball 2, 3.

DONNA JO FALKENSTEIN "Jo" Candy Girl 3, Prom Committee 3; G. A. A. 1-4, Social Committee 1, 4; Pep Club 1-4; F. T. A. 3, 4; Girls' Chorus 1, Secretary 1; Volleyball 1-3; Cheerleader 1-4; Booster Carnival Queen Candidate 1; Bel-Hi Reporter 2, News Editor 3, Co-Editor 4; Belvi Staff 4; Quill and Scroll 3, 4.

DALE FIDDER Pep Club 3, 4; F. F. A. 1-4; A Cappella 1-3; Athletic Manager 2.

JEAN ANNE FIDDER Candy Girl 3; Pep Club 3; F. H. A. 2-4; F. N. C. 4; Band 1-4.

PATRICIA FITCH "Pat" Candy Girl 3; Pep Club 2-4; Band 3, 4; A Cappella 4; Library Club 1-4, President 3; Girls' State 3; Bel-Hi Reporter 2-4.

TERRY FREEMAN Pep Club 1, 4; F. F. A. 1.

ROGER GIPP "Gippi" B Club 2, 4; Baseball 1, 2; Intramural Football 3; Golf 3; Bel-Hi Reporter 2-4, Sports Editor 4.

DONALD GLASER "Pedro" Pep Club 2, 4; Industrial Arts 1, 4; Track 1; Tumbling 1-3; Intramural Football 3.





RONALD GOETZ Class President 3; Memorial Committee 4; Pep Club 1-4; F. F. A. 1-3, Secretary 3; F. T. A. 2; A Cappella 1-3; Koral Klub 4; Cheerleader 4; National Honor Society 3, 4; Belvi Staff 4.



JAN GORANSON "Gorns" B Club 2-4; Pep Club 1-4; Industrial Arts 1, 2; Golf 1-3; Athletic Manager 2-4.



JAY GORHAM Intramural Volleyball 3.



CAROL GORMAN "Gormie" Class Secretary 1, Candy Girl 3, Campaign Committee 3, Social Committee 4; G. A. A. 1-4, Social Committee 3, 4; Pep Club 1-4, Advisory Board 3; F. T. A. 3, Vice-President 3; F. N. C. 4; Girls' Chorus 1; Library Club 1, 2; Student Council 1; Volleyball 2, 3; Council Carnival Queen 3; Bel-Hi Reporter 1, 2, Feature Editor 3, 4; Belvi Staff 4; Quill and Scroll 3, 4.

JAMES GREENLEE "Jim" Class Social Committee 2, Christmas Decoration Committee 3; B Club 1-4; Pep Club 3, 4; Industrial Arts 1-4, Treasurer 4; Athletic Manager 1, 2; Tennis 1, 2; Golf 2, 3; Intramural Basketball 3; Bel-Hi Reporter 1, 2; Student Projectionist 1-4.

ORRIE HALVERSON Pep Club 1-4, Advisory Board 4; Band 1-4; Track 2; Intramural Basketball 3.

ROBERT HARMS "Rabbit" Class Vice-President 4, Reunion Committee 4; B Club 2-4; Pep Club 1-4, Advisory Board 2, Treasurer 3; Intramural Basketball 1; Basketball 2, 3; Football 3; Council Carnival King 2; Koral Klub 4.

DAWN HICKS Transferred from Kirkland High School 1; Candy Girl 3; Dramatics 1; G. A. A. 4; Pep Club 1-4; F. H. A. 1-4; F. T. A. 4; Girls' Chorus 4; Debate 2, 4.

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ROBERT HILL "Bob" B Club 1-4; Pep Club 2-4, Advisory Board 4; Intramural Basketball 1; Athletic Manager 1, 2; Tennis 1-3; Intramural Volleyball 2; Intramural Baseball 2.

JO ELLEN HOFFMAN "Joey" Class Social Committee Chairman 2, Treasurer 3, Candy Girl 3, Reunion Committee 4; G. A. A. 1-4, President 4; Pep Club 1-4, Advisory Board 1; F. T. A. 2-4, Treasurer 2; Girls' Chorus 1; A Cappella 2-4, President 4; Student Council 3, 4, Reporter 3, Program Committee Chairman 4, Vice-President 4; Homecoming Queen Candidate 1; Bel-Hi Reporter 3; Belvi Staff 4.

JAMES HOINES "Jim" B Club 1-4, Judge 4; Pep Club 1-4; Student Council 4, Treasurer 4; Football 1-4; Basketball 1-3; Intramural Volleyball 1; Intramural Basketball 1; Baseball 1; Council Carnival King 3.

LEROY HOLLEMBEAK "Roy" Pep Club 1-4; F. F. A. 1-4, Sentinel 4.

RICHARD HOLMQUIST "Swede" Class Announcement Committee 4; B Club 1-4, Treasurer 3; Football 1, 2, 4; Intramural Volleyball 1, 3; Basketball 1-3; Track 1; Baseball 2, 3; National Athletic Honor Society 3, 4.

RICHARD HOLTRETER "Dick" Industrial Arts 3; Golf 1, 2; Intramural Basketball 3.

JUDITH HOWLETT "Judie" Transferred from Birmingham High School 2; Candy Girl 3, Announcement Committee 4; G. A. A. 2-4, Social Committee 3; Cheerleader 4; Homecoming Queen 4.

THOMAS HYLAND "Tom" Pep Club 1-4; F. F. A. 1-4, Reporter 4.





SENIORS



DOROTHY JOHNSON Candy Girl 3, Prom Committee 3, Treasurer 4, Reunion Committee 4; G. A. A. 1-4, Junior Assistant 3, Secretary-Treasurer 4; Pep Club 1-4; F. T. A. 2-4, Secretary 3, President 4; Girls' Chorus 1; A Cappella 2; Volleyball 2, 3; Bel-Hi Reporter 3, 4.

GAIL JOHNSON Pep Club 1-3; Industrial Arts 2.

JAMES JOHNSON "Jim" Pep Club 1, 3, 4; Belvi Photographer 4.

JOHN JOHNSON "Jack" Class Social Committee 3; B Club 1-4; Pep Club 1-4; Industrial Arts 1, 2; Football 1, 2, 4; Basketball 1, 2; Track 1; Intramural Basketball 3.

PAUL JOHNSON B Club 1-4; Pep Club 1-4; Industrial Arts 1; Football 1-4; Basketball 1, 2; Track 1, 2.

MARGARET KEEFE "Peg" Candy Girl 3, Sweater Committee 3; G. A. A. 1-4; Pep Club 1-4; Volleyball 1, 2; Bel-Hi Reporter 3, Typist 4.

ROY KIEFER Pep Club 1-4; Industrial Arts 1-4, Vice-President 3, President 4; A Cappella 1, 2.

WINFRED KNAPP "Red" B Club 3, 4; Pep Club 4; Baseball 1, 3; Student Projectionist 1-4.

LYLE KNOP Band 1; Baseball 1, 3; Intramural Baseball 2.

LOREEN KOCH "Cookie" Candy Girl 3, Social Committee 4; G. A. A. 1-4, Social Committee 3; Pep Club 1-4, Advisory Board 4; F. T. A. 2-4; Girls' Chorus 1; Volleyball 1-3; Cheerleader 1, 2.

ROXAN LANE "Rox" Class Social Committee 1, Candy Girl 3; G. A. A. 1-4; Pep Club 1-4; F. H. A. 3; Girls' Chorus 1; Library Club 1-4, Secretary 3; Bel-Hi Reporter 3, Typist 4.

MAXINE LeCLERE "Mike" Candy Girl 3, Prom Committee 3; G. A. A. 2-4; Pep Club 2-4; F. H. A. 2; Library Club 3; Volleyball 2, 3; Bel-Hi Reporter 3, Typist 4.

CAROL LEONARD "Lennie" Candy Girl 3, Prom Committee 3, Memorial Committee 4; G. A. A. 1-4; Pep Club 1-4; Student Council 1-3; Cheerleader 1, 2; Homecoming Queen Candidate 2; Bel-Hi Reporter 1-4; Belvi Editor 4.

NANCY LIBKE Candy Girl 3; G. A. A. 1-4; Pep Club 1-4; F. H. A. 2, 4; Girls' Chorus 2; Bel-Hi Reporter 3.

LUCEBA LITTLEJOHN "Cebe" Pep Club 4; F. H. A. 2-4; Band 1-4.

THOMAS LOCKINGER "Tom" Industrial Arts 1-4, Vice-President 3, Parliamentarian 4; Intramural Basketball 2; Intramural Baseball 1, 3.





CHARLES LONG "Charlie" B Club 2-4; Pep Club 2-4; Basketball 1, 2; Track 1, 2.

ROGER LONG Intramural Football 3.

ROBERT LYFORD "Bob" Pep Club 1, 4; F. F. A. 1-4, Vice-President 4.

BONNIE LEE LYONS G. A. A. 1-4; Pep Club 1-4; F. H. A. 2, 4.

MARY JANE McCLENTHEN G. A. A. 1; Pep Club 2-4; F. H. A. 2-4.

JACK MANLEY Prom Committee Chairman 3; Pep Club 1-4; Band 1-4; Koral Klub 4; Golf 2, 3; Bel-Hi Reporter 3.

NANCY MASON "Mase" Class Social Committee Chairman 1, Candy Girl 3, Christmas Decoration Committee 3; G. A. A. 1-4; Pep Club 1-4; F. H. A. 2-4; Student Council 2; Bel-Hi Reporter 3, Typist 4.

LINDA MOFFATT "Lin" Transferred from Carrollton High School 2; Class Social Committee 2, Prom Committee 3, Play Committee 4; Y-Teens 1; G. A. A. 2-4; Pep Club 2-4; F. H. A. 1, 2; F. T. A. 3; F. N. C. 4; Band 1-4, Twirler 3, 4; Cheerleader 1; A Cappella 1, 3, 4; Bel-Hi Reporter 2, 3.

SENIORS



AUDREY MOSS "Aud" Candy Girl 3, Tri-Class Committee 3, Reunion Committee 4; G. A. A. 1-4; Pep Club 1-4; F. T. A. 3, 4; Girls' Chorus 1, 2, Secretary 2; A Cappella 3, Treasurer 3; Koral Klub 4, Librarian 4; Bel-Hi Reporter 3.

ELAINE MOUSEL Transferred from West Rockford High School 3; Pep Club 4.

ALICE NELSON "Nels" Candy Girl Treasurer 3, Prom Committee 3; G. A. A. 1-4, Sophomore Assistant 2; Pep Club 1-4; F. T. A. 3, 4; Girls' Chorus 1; A Cappella 2, 3; Koral Klub 4; Volleyball 1-3; Bel-Hi Reporter 1, Headline Editor 2, Make-Up Editor 3, Co-Editor 4; Quill and Scroll 3, 4.

KENNETH NETTLETON "Beulah" Koral Klub 4; Intramural Volleyball 3; Football 4.

TOM NEWELL Class Vice-President 3; B Club 1-4; Pep Club 1-4, Advisory Board 1-3; Industrial Arts 1; Student Council 1-3; Football 1-4; Basketball 1, 2; Baseball 1-3; National Athletic Honor Society 3, 4; Homecoming King Candidate 1.

CLARA JANE PARKER G. A. A. 1-3; Pep Club 1-4; F. H. A. 2, 4; Volleyball 1, 2; Twirler 2-4.

DOUGLAS PEARSE "Doug" Football 1; Track 1.

CHERYL PETERS "Pete" Candy Girl 3, Sweater Committee 3; G. A. A. 1-4; Pep Club 1-4; F. N. C. 4; Girls' Chorus 1; Volleyball 3; Bel-Hi Reporter 3; Belvi Staff 4.





JEAN PINEGER Candy Girl 3; Tri-Class Committee 3; G. A. A. 1-4, Social Committee 2; Pep Club 1-4; F. T. A. 3, 4; Band 1, 2; Volleyball 3; Bel-Hi Reporter 2, 3.

BLAKE RAIRDIN "Doc" B Club 1-4; Pep Club 1-4; Student Council 4; Athletic Manager 1-4; Bel-Hi Assistant Advertising Manager 4.

GERRY REED (Not pictured) Athletic Manager 3.

DAVID REWOLDT "Dave" Pep Club 2-4; Industrial Arts 2-4, Secretary 4; Football 1.

TOM RIPPENTROP "Rip" Pep Club 2, 4; Basketball 3.



PAUL RIVERS "Creek" Pep Club 2, 4; Industrial Arts 2; Football 1, 2.

JUDITH ROSELLE "Judi" Transferred from Crystal Lake High School 1; G. A. A. 1-4; Pep Club 2-4; F. H. A. 4; Girls' Chorus 2; A Cappella 3; Koral Klub 4; Bel-Hi Reporter 3, Typist 4.

DON RYOTI Class Social Committee 1, 2, 4, Prom Committee 3; Pep Club 1-4; F. T. A. 2-4, Treasurer 4; Band 1-4; Boys' State 3; Bel-Hi Reporter 3; Belvi Business Manager 4.

DALE SCHAETZLEIN "Art" Class Social Committee 4; B Club 1-4; Pep Club 1-4, Advisory Board 4; Athletic Manager 1, 2; Intramural Football 3; Intramural Badminton 3; Tennis 3.

SENIORS





GERALD SCHAUER "Jerry"

MARVIN SCHUSTER "Mort" B Club 1-4; Pep Club 1-4; Student Council 3; Football 1-4; Basketball 1-3; Baseball 1-3; Homecoming King 3.

JOANNE SCHWEBKE "Jo" Candy Girl 3, Tri-Class Committee 3; G. A. A. 1-4; Pep Club 1-4; Girls' Chorus 1; Volleyball 1-3; Bel-Hi Reporter 3.

PATRICIA SCHWEBKE "Pat" Class Social Committee 2, Candy Girl 3, Campaign Committee 3, President 4, Reunion Committee 4; G. A. A. 1-4; Pep Club 1-4; F. T. A. 2-4; Volleyball 1-3; Bel-Hi Reporter 1-4, Exchange Editor 4.



JARID SIMONS Class Social Committee 2, Prom Committee 3, Memorial Committee Chairman 4; Pep Club 1-4; Band 1-4; Debate 1-3; Tennis 2; Bel-Hi Reporter 3.

CAROL SLATER "Slate" Class Social Committee 2, Candy Girl 3, Prom Committee 3, Memorial Committee 4; G. A. A. 1-4, Social Committee 1, 4; Pep Club 1-4, Advisory Board 4; F. T. A. 3, 4; Student Council 2-4, Reporter 2, Social Committee Chairman 3, President 4; Volleyball 1-3; Cheerleader 1-3; Mantle 3; Zvonar Award 3; Bel-Hi Reporter 1-3; Belvi Staff 4.

JOHN SLATER Pep Club 1, 4; Industrial Arts 1, 4.



RICHARD SMITH "Smitty" Class Campaign Committee 3; B Club 1-4; Pep Club 2-4; Student Council 1; Athletic Manager 1, 2; Intramural Volleyball 1, 3; Intramural Basketball 1, 3; Football 2; Tennis 2, 3.



SENIORS



JOHN STARR B Club 2-4; Pep Club 1-4; Athletic Manager 1; Track 2, 3; Football 3, 4; Boys' State 3.

LUCILLE STAUFFER "Lucy" Transferred from West Rockford High School 3; Class Vice-President 2, Secretary 4, Reunion Committee 4; G. A. A. 1-4; Pep Club 3, 4; F. H. A. 3; F. N. C. 4; Girls' Chorus 1, 2; A Cappella 3; Koral Klub 4.

ROGER STEINKE "Rog" B Club 1-4; Pep Club 1-4; Industrial Arts 1-4; Football 1-4; Basketball 1-3; Track 1-3; Homecoming King 4; Bel-Hi Reporter 2.

JANET STEVENS "Steve" Candy Girl 3; G. A. A. 1-4; Pep Club 1-4; A Cappella 3; Koral Klub 4; Volleyball 1-3; Bel-Hi Reporter 3, Typist 4.

DIANE STONE G. A. A. 1-4; Pep Club 1-4; Library Club 1-3; Volleyball 1-3; Bel-Hi Typist 4.

RICHARD STONE "Dick" B Club 2; Pep Club 2-4; Industrial Arts 2-4; Football 1, 2.

JANET STONER G. A. A. 1-4; Pep Club 1-4; F. H. A. 2; Tumbling 1.

SALLIE STRATE "Sal" Candy Girl 3, Christmas Decoration Committee 3, Play Committee 4; G. A. A. 1-4; Pep Club 1-4; F. H. A. 2; Student Council 1, 2; Volleyball 2, 3; Cheerleader 1-4; Homecoming Queen 3; Bel-Hi Reporter 2, 3, Typist 4.

NANCY STROUP "Stroupie" Candy Girl 3, Campaign Committee 3, Social Committee 4; G. A. A. 1-4; Pep Club 1-4; F. T. A. 3, 4, Visitation Chairman 3; Girls' Chorus 1; Volleyball 2.

SHIRLEY SUNDEN "Shirl" Candy Girl 3; Pep Club 1-4; F. H. A. 2-4; Girls' Chorus 1; A Cappella 2, 3, Secretary 3; Koral Klub 4, Librarian 4; Library Club 1; Bel-Hi Reporter 1-4, Typist 4.

MERRILL SWANSON F. F. A. 1-4; Intramural Baseball 2; Student Projectionist 1-4.

RALPH SWANSON Football 2.



JOHN TAFT "Red" Track 2.

DONNA TAYLOR G. A. A. 1-4; Pep Club 2-4; F. N. C. 4, President 4; Bel-Hi Reporter 3, Typist 4.

BERNARD TOMAN "Bernie" Transferred from Richland Center High School 3; F. F. A. 1-3, Treasurer 2; Football 1-3; Basketball 1; Track 1-3; Tumbling 1, 2.

ANN TURNER Candy Girl Treasurer 3; G. A. A. 1-4; Pep Club 1-4, Advisory Board 2; F. T. A. 2, 3; Girls' Chorus 1; A Cappella 2, 3; Koral Klub 4, Secretary 4; Bel-Hi Assistant Make-Up Editor 3, Editorial Editor 4.





ELAINE VANDERCOY Candy Girl 3, Prom Committee 3; G. A. A. 1-4; Pep Club 1-4; F. N. C. 4; Band 1-3; Girls' Chorus 1, 2; A Cappella 3; Koral Klub 4; Student Council 2; Bel-Hi Reporter 2-4.

CHARLOTTE VAUGHN "Char" G. A. A. 1; Pep Club 1-4; F. H. A. 4; Girls' Chorus 1; A Cappella 2, 3; Koral Klub 4.

CHARLENE VINCENT "Tip" Candy Girl 3, Sweater Committee 3, Social Committee 4; G. A. A. 1-4; Pep Club 1-4; F. H. A. 2; Girls' Chorus 1; Student Council 4; Volleyball 1-3; Bel-Hi Reporter 2, 3.

LARRY WAALEWYN Class Sweater Committee 3; Pep Club 4; F. T. A. 3, 4; Bel-Hi Assistant Sports Editor 4.



PATRICIA WASCHER "Pat" Candy Girl 3, Tri-Class Committee 3; G. A. A. 1-4; Pep Club 1-4; Bel-Hi Reporter 3.

DOROTHY WATERSTRAAT "Dody" Candy Girl 3, Prom Committee 3; G. A. A. 1-4; Pep Club 1-4; Girls' Chorus 1, Librarian 1; A Cappella 2, 3; Debate 1, 2; Library Club 1-4; Volleyball 1-3; Bel-Hi Reporter 1-3.

RICHARD WILCOX B Club 2-4; Football 1-3.

JIM WILLIS "Fuzzy" B Club 1-4; Pep Club 1-4; Intramural Basketball 1; Intramural Volleyball 1, 2; Baseball 1, 2.

SENIORS



ALAN WILSON "Al" F.F.A. 3, 4; Band 1, 2.

JERRAL WIMBERLEY Band 1.

RICHARD WINKELMAN "Winky" Class Vice-President 1, President 2, Sweater Committee 3, Social Committee 4; Pep Club 1-4; Band 1-4; A Cappella 1-3; Koral Klub 4; Tennis 2; Bel-Hi Reporter 3.

BETTE WINNE Candy Girl 3, Prom Committee 3, Play Committee 4; G. A. A. 1-4; Pep Club 1-4; F. T. A. 3, 4; Girls' Chorus 1; A Cappella 2, 3, Vice-President 3; Koral Klub 4, President 4; Library Club 1; Volleyball 3; State Music Contest Soloist 2; Bel-Hi Reporter 2, 3.

LORETTA WIRTH "Dove" Class Social Committee 2, Candy Girl 3; G. A. A. 1-4; Pep Club 1-4; F. H. A. 2; Girls' Chorus 1; A Cappella 2, 3; Koral Klub 4; Volleyball 3; Bel-Hi Reporter 3.

BARBARA WYCH Candy Girl 3, Tri-Class Committee 3; G. A. A. 1-4; Pep Club 1-4; Girls' Chorus 1; Bel-Hi Reporter 3.

JUDY YERK Class Social Committee 1, Candy Girl 3, Christmas Decoration Committee 3; G. A. A. 1-4; Pep Club 1-4; F. H. A. 2, 4; Volleyball 1-3; Bel-Hi Reporter 1.

GEORGE ZVONAR Class Social Committee 1, 2, 4, Campaign Committee 3; B Club 2-4; Pep Club 1-4; Athletic Manager 2; Football 3, 4.



Juniors



DAVID SMITH, VICE-PRESIDENT; RUTH CARLSON, SECRETARY; GENE MENGE, TREASURER; GORDON MEDARIS, PRESIDENT.

1953-1956

"Paging Gordon Medaris. Paging Gordon Medaris."

"I'm Gordon Medaris. What do you want?"

"I want the low down on this class that you head."

"Okey doke. As freshmen our whole class had loads of enthusiasm. We started off by electing Charles Cowger, Beverly Turner, Ann Keating, and Joyce Wimberley as class officers. Jerry Cunningham and Peggy Luckow were our successful candidates for Homecoming. Keeping up our enthusiasm, we took first prize with the Nativity scene on the stage at Christmas time. Doris Clausius and Jerry Rowe represented us at the Council Carnival, but we missed the crown by two votes."

"As we returned, sophomores in the fall, our enthusiasm was still running wild. Judy Peterson, Dennis Conwell, Sandra Barr, and Linda Sewell were our leaders, and we were bound and determined to do well. Judy Peterson and Paul Artlip were picked for our candidates for Homecoming. Decorating the bird cages, we really got to work and took second prize with the theme 'One God, One World. Virginia Cooper and Darryl Moss were our candidates for Council Carnival."

"Now we've finally become upper-classmen! It seems wonderful, but we have one big problem--making money for the prom. Gordon Medaris, that's me, Dave Smith, Gene Menge, and Ruth Carlson are the officers this year. As usual Homecoming came first and we chose Julie Oliver and Dave Smith to be our representatives. We tried hard, but we didn't do too well. At Christmas we decorated the bird cages again, only this year our theme was 'Peace on Earth.' "

"We've learned a lot these last three years and are determined to make next year our best one yet."

CHRISTMAS COMMITTEE

FIRST ROW: Beverly Turner, Deanna Dugar, Chairman Nancy Arand, Ruth Henning, Beverly Welch. SECOND ROW: Joanne Cozrson, Ronald Maxon, Jim Summers, Carlton Axelson, Mary Ann Whitehead, NOT PICTURED: Doris Yerk.



SWEATER COMMITTEE

FIRST ROW: Chairman Judy Peterson, Ilse Winters, Jeanne Ehlers, Nancy Larson. TRI CLASS COMMITTEE, SECOND ROW: Delcie Strong, Janice Moore, Marion Haffenden, Chairman Dixie Kelly, Margaret LeClere.



CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE

FIRST ROW: Donna Voorhies, Bunny Rundell, Chairman Doris Clausius, Linda Sewell. SECOND ROW: Ronald Sturm, Julie Oliver, Bob Combs. THIRD ROW: Jerry Rowe, Larry McLain.

COUNCIL CARNIVAL COMMITTEE

FIRST ROW: Roberta Flemming, Judy Welin, Louell Huddleston, Gail Galster. SECOND ROW: Kay Webber, Ruthanne Whalen, Donna Ward, Mary Jean Armour, Mary Lou Bergmann, Chairman Carol Fye, Lucille Luxton.



JUNIORS

PROM COMMITTEE

FIRST ROW: Chairman Marcia Neufer, Giles Turner, Dennis Conwell, Sandra Merkel, Richard Keister. SECOND ROW: Ken Smith, Alice Huedepohl, Virginia Cooper, Sandra Barr, Jean Wendell, Ron Maxon.



Junior workers present
"Peace on Earth."

Jim Arand



Nancy Arand
Mary Jean Armour
Paul Artlip
Carlton Axelson



Sandra Barr
Wilbur Baumann
Beverly Baumer
Mary Lou Bergmann



David Berman
Carolann Binka
Sammy Blakley
Dennis Brockman



Louise Bohlman
Roseann Boyer
Velma Butler
Ruth Carlson



Gary Carroll
Donald Clausius
Doris Clausius
Joanne Coarson



Mary Colwell
Bob Combs
Pat Concialdi
Dennis Conwell

Virginia Cooper
Charles Cowger
Roger Crawford
Dave Crull



Bruce Crum
William Culvey
Janet Cummings
Jerry Cunningham



Yvonne Curry
Jon Daniels
John Davis
Deanna Dulgar



Carol Eckhardt
Bill Edmison
Jeanne Ehlers
Lois Erickson



JUNIORS

Jim Evans
Bonnie Farel
Pat Ferguson
Roger Fidler



Ronald Field
Roberta Flemming
Harry Freeman
Robert Froehlich



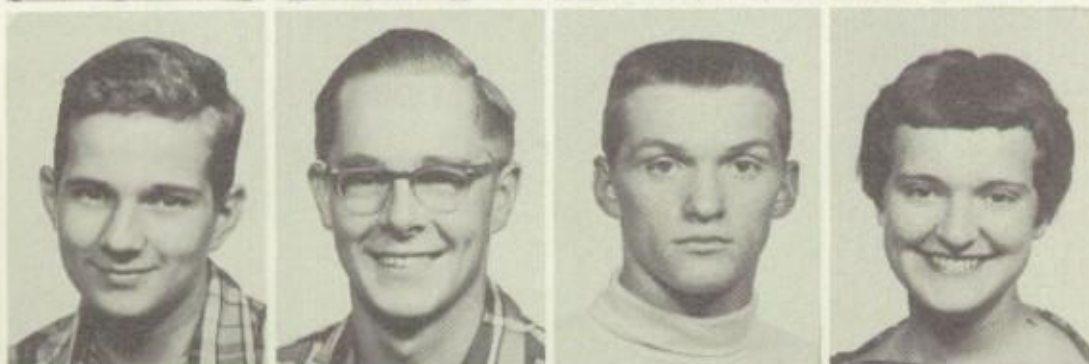
Carol Fye
Gail Galster
Mike George
George Gibson



Lynn Gray
Jim Grubb
Marion Haffenden
Ruth Henning



Dale Howard
Louell Huddlestun
Alice Huedepohl
Gerald Huff



Bob Hyser
Allan Jackson
Ronald Jones
Ann Keating



Richard Keister
Dixie Kelly
Grace Kidder
Jackie Kinkade



Glenda Knapp
Janet Knight
Kristine Kobernus
Ortwin Kolewe



Anita Kuss
Doris LaBuy
Lois LaBuy
Anita Lampert



John Lanning
John Larson
Nancy Larson
Margaret LeClere

Mary Lou Leonard
Bob LeVoy
Dave Lindblom
Marilyn Luckey



Peggy Luckow
Lucille Luxton
Gene McCoy
Larry McLain



LaVila Malisch
Virginia Martin
Ronald Maxon
Gordon Medaris



Gene Menge
David Mercer
Sandra Merkel
Kenneth Meyers



JUNIORS

Janice Moore
Marlyn Morehead
Lester Morrall
Darryl Moss



Judith Nash
Marcia Neufer
Julie Oliver
Steve O'Sullivan



Sandra Owens
Clarence Paulson
Irmgard Pesler
Judy Peterson



Wallace Ramsay
Brant Rhodes
Elizabeth Richardson
Nancy Richart



Barbara Root
Jerry Rowe
Bunny Rundell
Judy Rydbom



Ronald Salley
Lois Sellers
Linda Sewell
Carol Shook



Dave Smith
Jan Smith
Kenneth Smith
Jack Spate



Allan Steinke
David Steurer
Earle Strauss
Delcie Strong



Ronald Sturm
Jim Summers
Bernard Swanson
Beverly Turner



Giles Turner
Robert Vaughn
Wanda Vaughn
Herman Voiles
(Not pictured)
Donna Voorhies

Donna Ward
Kay Webber
William Weeks
Beverly Welch



Judy Welin
Jean Wendell
Marcella Wennmacker
Sandra West



Shirley Weston
Ruthanne Whalen
Mary Ann Whitehead
Joyce Wimberley



Ilse Winter
Doris Yerk
Rebecca Yerk
Harry Zoellick



UNDERCLASSMEN





Sophomores



DANA VAN EPPS, VICE-PRESIDENT; KAY JOHNSON, SECRETARY; MARY ALICE JULIN, TREASURER; DOUGLAS EDMONDS, PRESIDENT.

1954-1956

"Paging Doug Edmonds! Paging Doug Edmonds!"

"I'm Edmonds. What's up?"

"The Belvi staff is after the history of your class. Can you help us out?"

"Sure! Shall I start out with our 'green' freshman year?"

"That'd be swell!"

"Lee Zierke led the class our freshman year. To assist him were Roger Koper, Rochelle Wascher, and Danni Whitehead. When our first Homecoming rolled around, we elected Andrea Howlett and Alan Steurer to represent our class. At Christmas time 'Joy to the World' was our theme. The decoration was the Nativity Scene, displayed above the main stairway. Gay Grenlund and David Ferguson were selected to represent our class at Council Carnival."

"As freshmen it sounds like you did all right. What about this year?"

"Well, our officers were elected last spring. They are yours truly, Doug Edmonds, Dana Van Epps, Kay Johnson, and Mary Alice Julin. At Homecoming our campaign committee worked hard to get votes for our candidates, Kay Johnson and Burnell Barr."

"At Christmas our display at the stairway carried out the theme of the 'Three Wisemen.' The decorations were silhouettes of the three wisemen looking at a shiny silver star against a green aluminum background. We were all real proud of this design."

"Now, we are all looking forward to the exciting junior year."



SOCIAL COMMITTEE

FIRST ROW: Ann Howe, Joyce Catron, Joyce Heller, Joyce Schafman. SECOND ROW: Chairman Danni Whitehead, Judy McLean, Bill Beu, Keith Ralston.



Sophomore girls receive their gym equipment in the new basket room.

Lingua Latina primo pueris puellisue Americanis nova erat
sed nunc non terret.

January 9. At long last the library is open. No excuse now!



SOPHOMORES

These sophomores will never make Hollywood.

James Atherton
Kenneth Brenz
George Brown
Donald Eineke
John Hays
Roy Keating
Karol Lillie
William Piskie
Robert Shacklee
Darwyn Sutton
Donna Staelens
Wilmer Thurow



With eyes on their books the sophomores listen to a record of Julius Caesar.



Jeanne Fair and Brock Dorn, world history students, search the globe for intriguing new places.



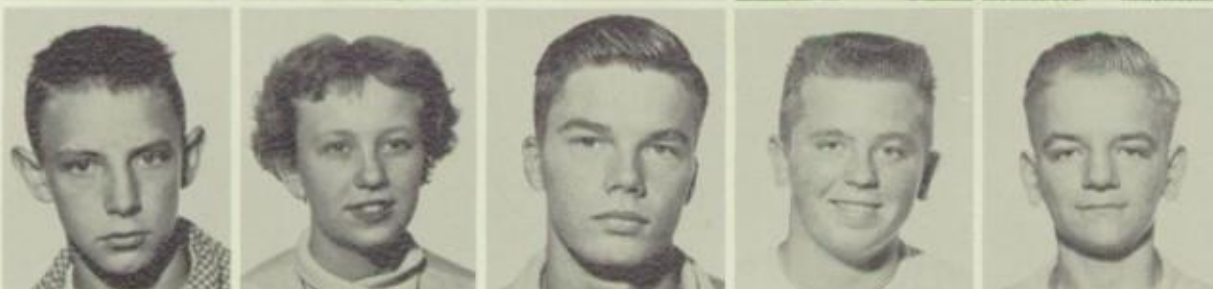
Movies help biology students understand more about invertebrates.



Kenneth Ahlberg
Joyce Aitken
Roger Alms
Allen Ambler
Judith Anderson



Myron Anderson
Robert Anderson
Robinette Anderson
Mary Bann
Burnell Barr



Coy Bartell
Frances Baylander
Richard Bender
Dennis Berry
William Beu

Frances Blake
Sandra Blakley
Randall Board
Rebecca Board



Beverly Boettcher
Leroy Booth
Robert Bowley
Donna Brown



Kay Brown
Joyce Bulte
Valerie Burnham
Gary Campbell



Helen Carlson
Tom Carter
Wayne Casperson
Joyce Catron



Norma Christiansen
Betty Clark
Jiles Cole
Joyce Cole



SOPHOMORES

Doris Coleman
Steve Combs
Phillis Coots
Lorraine Copas
Philip Crist

David Cross
Phyllis Cullison
Ronald Daniels
Sandra Daniels
Kay Darmon

Don Dashney
David Diamond
Kathleen Dobbins
Brock Dorn
Janice Dwan



Robert Eckhoff
Douglas Edmonds
Russell Edwards
Paul Ehlert



Richard Evans
Jeanne Fair
David Ferguson
Marion Ferguson



Charlotte Fidder
Donna Fidder
Robert Flemming
Lula Freeman



Shirley Gahlbeck
Don Gibbs
Kristine Goranson
Gay Grenlund



Marilynn Grimes
Richard Hackman
Leona Hale
Charles Hatfield



Marlene Heckert
Joyce Heller
Gene Herzing
Delbert Hicks
Sylvan Hoiness



Bob Holmquist
Ann Howe
Andrea Howlett
Irvine Huck
Gerald Hulstedt



Ronald Humphry
Donna Jackson
Dave Johnson
Kay Johnson
Ronald Johnson

Mary Alice Julin
Nancy Kaiser
Lois Kaschub
Wesley Kasper



Jerry Kimmey
Roger Koper
Lyndon Krans
Jim Kretsinger



Lois Leach
George Leaich
Ruth Lee
Judith Leonard



Larry Leonard
Geraldyn Lepart
Kaye Linder
Robert Lindholm



Rogene Littlejohn
Donald Long
Jerry Luepkes
Sonjia Luhman



SOPHOMORES

Danny Lunsford
 Jean Lyford
 Blanch McClenthen
 George McGee
 James McLain
 Judy McLean
 Neil Maloney
 Vivien Mau
 Mary Lou Mayberry
 Roger Meckley
 William Medelberg
 Eugene Mild
 Mary Moan
 Mary Montgomery
 Beverly Morehead



Chester Morey
 Janetta Morey
 Rita Mousel
 Sara Munrow



Diana Nelson
 Dennis Nordmoe
 Roger Ollmann
 Daryl Palmquist



James Pearson
 Barbara Peters
 Myrna Peters
 Rosemary Peters



Gail Phelps
 Donna Pierce
 Harry Powell
 Keith Ralston



Patricia Ratfield
 David Revolinski
 Anna Richardson
 Larry Rickelman



Warren Rickelman
Carolyn Romine
Harriet Rose
Judy St. John
Joyce Schafman



Mary Ellen Schafman
Kenneth Schwebke
Frank Shacklee
Jean Simons
Priscilla Smith



David Stavlund
Ronald Stegemann
Alan Steurer
Fred Strate
Jim Stroud

Mildred Stroud
Robert Swanson
Marge Taft
Mary Taft



Marylyn Thornton
George Twigg
Dana Van Epps
Helen Walters



Rochelle Wascher
Charles Weber
Robert Weiner
Bob Wensky



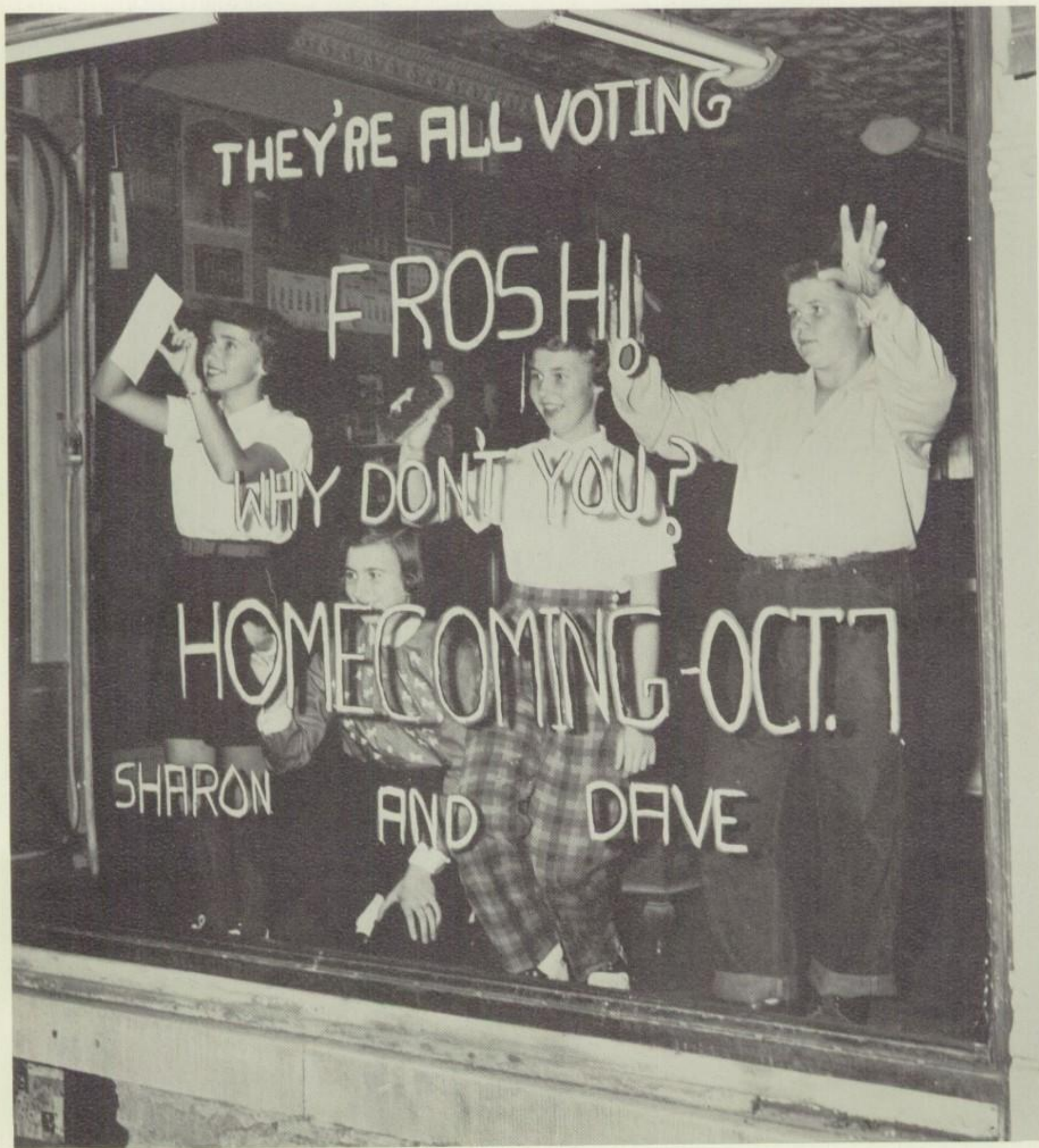
Dan Whitehead
Darlene Wirth
Nancy Wolf
Allen Worf



Howard Wylde
Margaret Yerk
Shaun Yunk
Lee Zierke



Freshmen



BONNIE BOWLEY, Vice-President; KAREN WASCHER, Secretary; JUDY SUMMERS, Treasurer; RICHARD JACOBSON, President.

1955-1956

"Hi Jake! How about an interview for Belvi?"

"Sure, what would you like to know?"

"What was your first thought when you entered high school?"

"It looked a little big and kinda complicated. I was sorta afraid of what might lie ahead."

"Do you mean social life or just the year as a whole?"

"The subjects and teachers worried me the most, but I guess it isn't as bad as I thought it would be. The freshmen were high on the honor roll a greater part of the year."

"When you were elected class president, what did you think it would involve?"

"I thought that when I was elected president, it would be more fun than work, but I soon learned differently. As president my first job was to pick a social committee to help take care of campaigning, decorating, and all other class social activities."

"What did your class do at Homecoming?"

"When Dave Curtis and Sharon Burton were elected king and queen candidates, I thought we would have a good chance to win, but since it was our first year, we were still learning the ropes and just didn't quite make it."

"Our next big job was Christmas decorations. When it was time to draw, I picked the space over the front entrance. It seemed the most difficult spot to decorate, but we worked hard on our theme which was 'The First Christmas.' A shadow-box with a night scene in the background, was the setting for the thatched-roofed stable. Dolls dresses as Mary, Joseph, and the Christ Child, and angels hovering above the stable completed our decorations which captured second place."

Marlene Rush, the only girl projectionist, reverses a film.



The Voothies twins arrange Boone County's old time gadgets for Civics Class display.



Karl Brohammer, a general science student, studies the anemometer.



SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Ron Huff, Judy Haffenden, Chairman Bonnie Bowley, Nancy Schuler, Bob Smith, Jim Hyland, Janice Bucklin, Mary Oakley.



Freshmen G.A.A. pledges plan ways to become "stronger women."

FRESHMEN

The eye of the camera frightened these freshmen.

Richard Bartell
 Marie Behnke
 Vernon Bergeron
 Carolyn Blunt
 William Boyer
 Norman Coble
 Patricia Crocker
 Sandra Crocker
 Thomas Derivan
 Richard Douthat
 Eugene Farel
 Pat Fitzgerald
 Hugh Gossage
 Sandra Holmgren
 Kenneth Johnson
 Marcia Kaschub
 Jerry Kenny
 David Knox
 Robert McClenthen



Voting is a duty of everyone--even freshmen.

George Roberts
 Kenneth Smith
 Roberta Trent



The freshmen add finishing touches to the Nativity scene.

Carol Sue Ackerman



Diane Adamson
 William Alberts
 Rosemary Alexander
 Burdette Anderson



Kenneth Anderson
 Sue Asbury
 Jerry Ashens
 Gene Ashley



Craig Auman
 Kenneth Balentyne
 Bonnie Bates
 Nancy Lee Bates



Nancy Baumer
Virginia Beasley
Frank Bianchi
Darrell Blake
Josephine Blum



Bonnie Bowley
Anna Braun
Karl Brohammer
Ellen Bruhn
Jessie Bubert



Janice Bucklin
Sharon Burton
Melvin Butler
Ray Butram
Charles Byers

Pat Campbell
Alice Carlson
Gloria Carlson
Lana Carlson



Bonnie Carroll
Rita Carter
Susan Colwell
Gary Conkling



Judith Correll
Jim Countryman
Lois Countryman
Stanley Crull



Betty Crum
Eileen Culvey
David Curtis
Florence Daniels

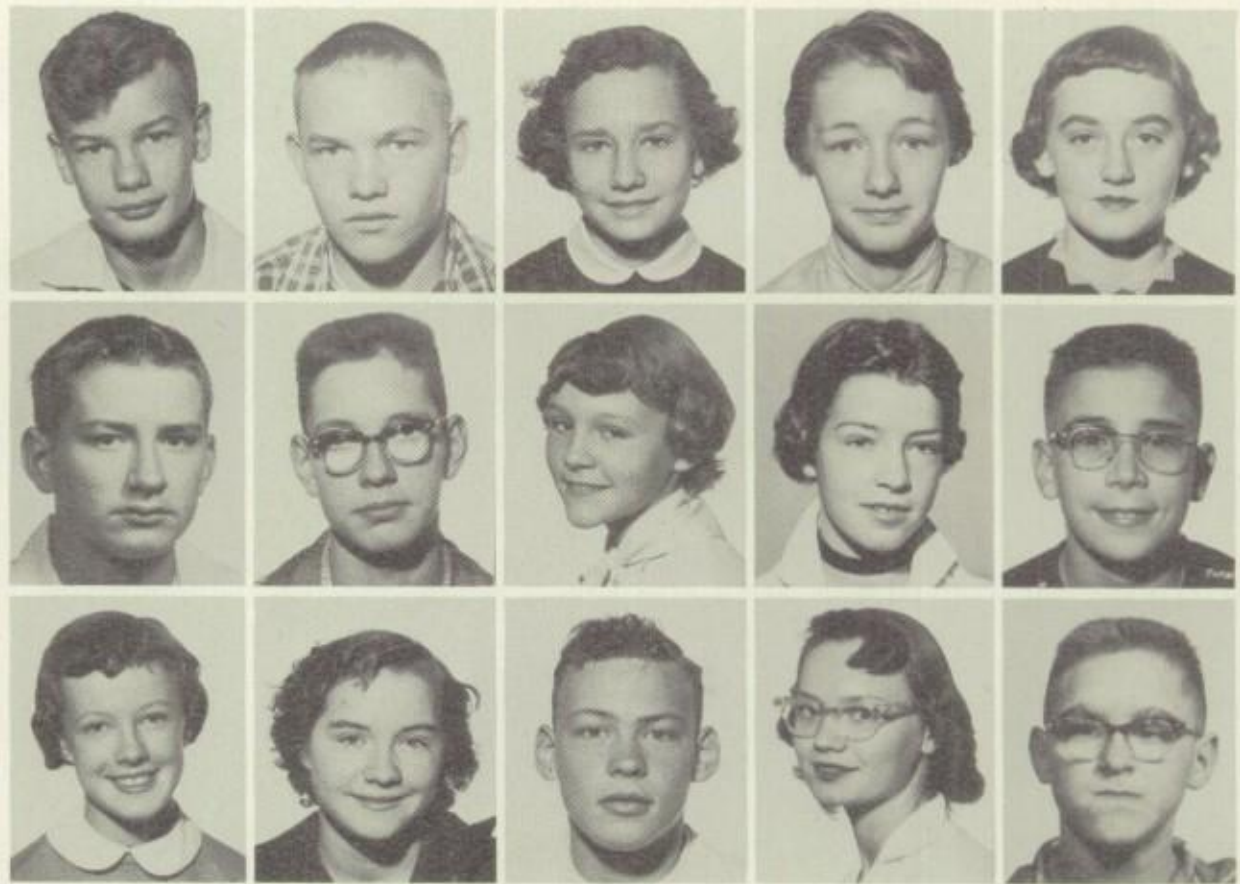


Kenneth Demunn
DeeAnn Downs
Gordon Downs
Nancy Dunbar



FRESHMEN

Jerry Eineke
 David Fidler
 Janice Fiebranz
 Mariam Foster
 Carol Frank
 Robert Fritz
 Douglas Galster
 Shirley Gibbs
 Georgeann Gibson
 Michael Glass
 Sandra Glass
 Evelyn Goedert
 Robert Gorman
 Sharon Graham
 Donald Gray



Kenneth Gray
 Greta Grenlund
 Dianne Gritzmacher
 John Gritzmacher



Gayle Grothman
 Sharon Groves
 Judy Grubb
 Judy Haffenden



Harry Halverson
 Robert Hamilton
 Carla Harms
 Dick Haschke



Judy Hartman
 William Hastings
 Andrea Helton
 Cecil Herzing



James Hickey
 Shirley Hoffman
 Sandra Holtfreter
 Bonnie Hopperstead



Mary Alice Huber
 Ronald Huff
 Carol Humphry
 Jim Hyland
 Richard Jacobson



Judith Johanningsmeier
 James Johnson
 William Johnson
 Henry Jones
 Judith Jones



Robert Jones
 Carol Karp
 Blanche Keating
 Howard Keating
 Elaine Kepple

Kathleen Kiddell
 Judy Kingren
 Linda Knauss
 Miles Kurtenbach



Kenneth LaBuy
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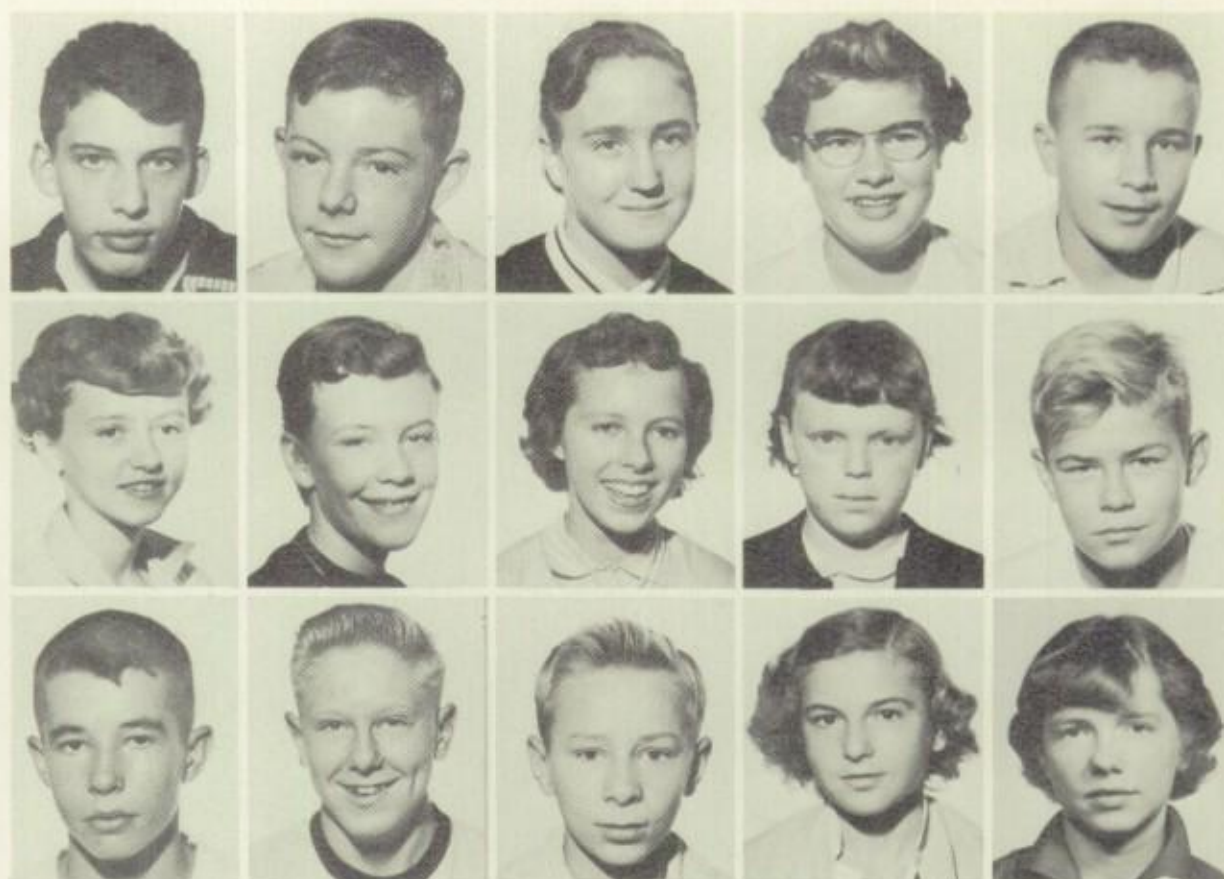


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FRESHMEN

Maurice Mild
Dale Miller
Mabel Morey
Vera Morrall
Donald Nettleton
Nancy Nihan
Mary Oakley
Melba Oakley
Sharon O'Brien
Chris Oliver
Jody O'Sullivan
Howard Pearson
James Peschl
Ingrid Pesler
Lynne Peterson



Neal Peterson
Phyllis Poehls
John Pollnow
Sandra Powers



Sue Pratt
Sue Ramsay
John Rengstorf
Ronald Rewoldt



Janice Richart
Kenneth Robertson
Roger Roselle
Marlene Rush



Mary Ryoti
Nancy Schuler
Gerald Schultz
Helen Schultz



Rix Seal
Judy Sellers
Mary Shook
Charles Shuckhart



Pete Silvius
Nordean Simon
Bob Smith
Keith Smith
Shirley Smith



Gordon Spate
Kay Steinke
Lila May Stoner
Charles Stroud
Rodney Sturm



Helen Sullivan
Judy Summers
Don Swanlund
David Taylor
Robert Taylor

Orin Thies
Hugh Thompson
Norma Tibus
Curt Tobin



Ronald Toman
Dave Vail
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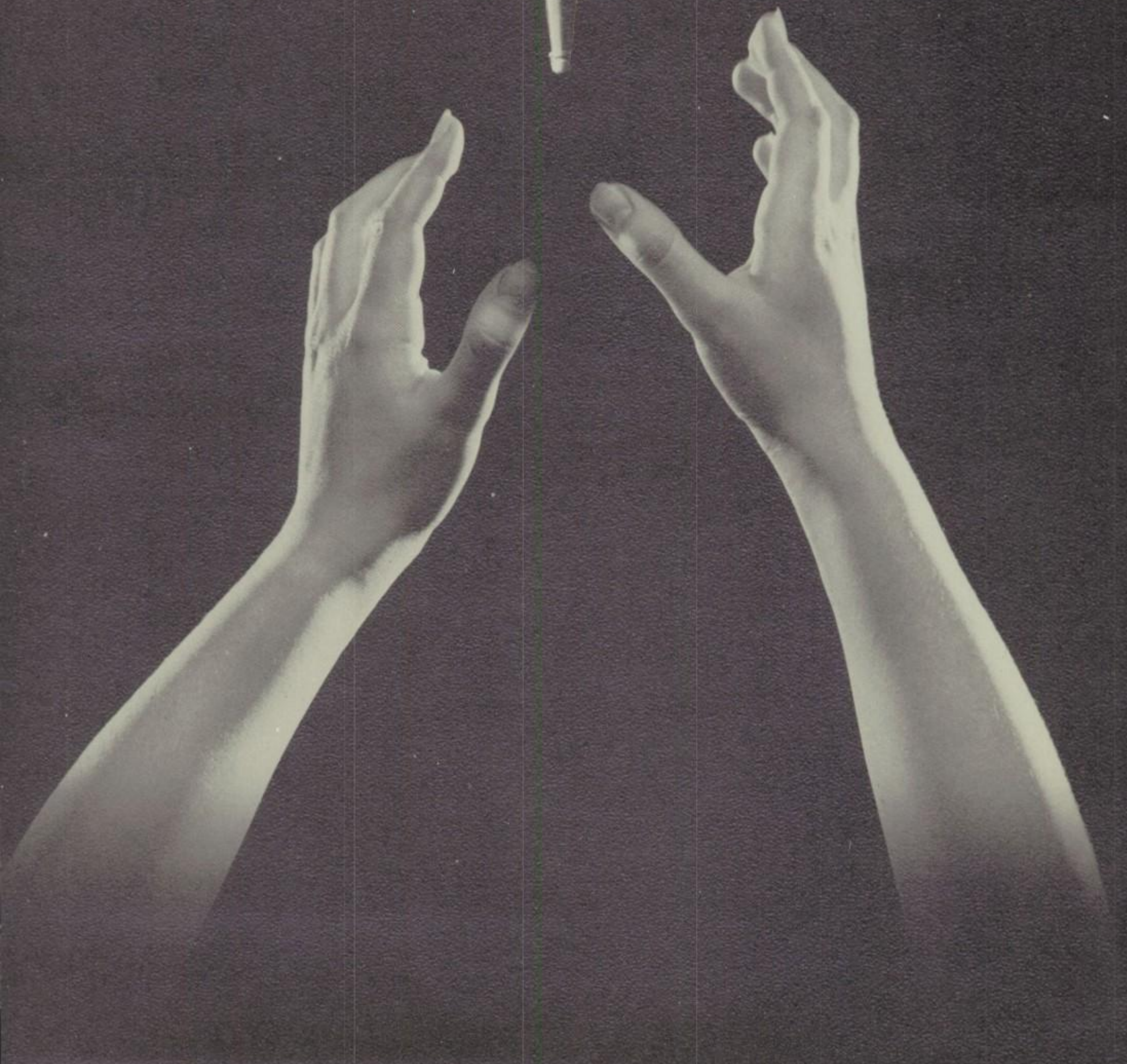


Bob Wilcox
Sharon Wirsing
Charley Wood
Marjorie Wych



HONORS







Carol Leonard

VALEDICTORIAN

The valedictorian of any senior class is the student who has the highest numerical grade average for all the subjects which he has taken during his high school years. This student gives the farewell speech at the annual Class Day program.

This highest of scholastic honors has been earned by Carol Leonard. In addition to leading her class scholastically, Carol has worked on class committees and the Student Council. She has been a Bel-Hi News reporter and editor of the Belvi. As a senior she received the DAR award as Belvidere High School's Good Citizen.



Jarid Simons

SALUTATORIAN

The salutatorian of any senior class has the honor of giving the opening speech of welcome at the annual Class Day program. His numerical grade average for all of the subjects which he has taken in his high school course is the second highest in the class. This high honor has been earned by Jarid Simons.

Jarid has not only won honor scholastically but has been active during his high school years in Band and Debate. He has given his time and efforts to many class committees.



NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

First Row: Carol Leonard, Ruthanne Whalen, Jo Ellen Hoffman, Carol Gorman, Shirley Sunden, Donna Jo Falkenstein, Carol Slater. Second Row: Terry Asbury, Arthur Daniel, Jarid Simons, Don Ryoti, Richard Winkelman, Ron Goetz, Larry McLain, Darryl Moss, Ortwin Kolewe.

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

Each year the faculty chooses the members of the National Honor Society. Membership in this organization includes juniors and seniors who have outstanding qualities in scholarship, leadership, character, and service to the school.

In order to be eligible for this honor society, the senior must be scholastically in the upper twenty-five percent of his class. The junior must be on the semester honor roll. Only fifteen percent of the senior class and only five percent of the junior class may be elected.

QUILL AND SCROLL

First Row: Donna Jo Falkenstein, Linda Sewell, Beverly Turner, Ann Louise Keating, Ann Turner, Alice Nelson, Cheryl Peters. Second Row: Carol Slater, Carol Gorman, Larry Waalewyn, Don Ryoti, Terry Asbury, Pat Schwebke, Jo Ellen Hoffman, Carol Leonard.



QUILL AND SCROLL

Quill and Scroll is an organization composed of juniors and seniors who have done outstanding journalistic work on either the yearbook or the newspaper. Another qualification for this International Honorary Society for High School Journalists is to be scholastically in the upper one-third of the class. The yearbook advisor, Miss Blackburn, and the newspaper advisor, Miss Burleigh, choose the members.

ZVONAR MEMORIAL AND MANTLE



Carol Slater

As a junior, Carol Slater received the Rosemary Zvonar Memorial at the annual GAA Mother and Daughter Banquet held in the spring. This award is presented each year to a junior girl who, in the opinion of the officers of GAA, has shown the most outstanding qualities of personality, sportsmanship, and service. Carol has shown all these qualities during her senior year as well as during her first three years in service to her class and to the school. She kept this trophy in her possession until the banquet the following year when she presented it to another junior. Each year the recipient's name is engraved on the trophy.

The Mantle, which is the highest award a junior can receive, was presented to Carol Slater also. The recipient is chosen by the faculty for excellence in scholarship, leadership, character, and service to the school. It is presented on Class Day by the one who received the award the previous year.



Carol Leonard

D. A. R. AWARD

Every year the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution sponsors a good citizen award. The aim of the project is to build youthful character and to call attention to the following qualities-Dependability-Service-Leadership-Patriotism.

The girls of the senior class select three of their members whom they believe are best qualified on the basis of the four characteristics. From these three girls the faculty selects one to represent the school as its good citizen.

Carol Leonard was chosen from this year's class. She receives a pin and certificate of award, and will have a chance to be selected as the winning girl of Illinois who receives a \$100 Government Bond.

GIRLS and BOYS STATE

Pat Fitch, Don Ryoti, and John Starr were chosen by the Belvidere Chapter of the Legion Auxiliary, the American Legion, and the VFW to represent Belvidere High School at Illini Girls State and Premier Boys State. These students are elected as juniors on the basis of scholarship, character, loyalty, and service to the school.

Girls and Boys State is a program of functional citizenship training in which all may participate in city, county, and state government. It is a pure democracy in that all of its citizens may vote and are eligible to hold office.



GIRLS AND BOYS STATE DELEGATES
Pat Fitch, Don Ryoti, John Starr.

NATIONAL ATHLETIC SCHOLARSHIP SOCIETY

Junior and senior athletes outstanding in sportsmanship and citizenship, who have earned a letter in major sports or two letters in minor sports, are eligible for membership in the National Athletic Scholarship Society. The boys must have a grade average equivalent to or higher than the school average.

They are nominated by the coaches and voted on by the faculty. This honor is presented to boys who in an unselfish, sportsmanlike manner re-

present their school in athletics and do their school work so well as to warrant recognition.

Last year, as juniors, Terry Asbury, Oscar Hodel, Richard Holmquist and Tom Newell were elected. This year the juniors elected were Jerry Cunningham, Richard Keister, Ortwin Kolewe, Larry McLain, Darryl Moss, Jerry Rowe, and Dave Smith. John Bender, Bob Harms, Jim Hoines, and Marvin Schuster were elected this year as seniors.

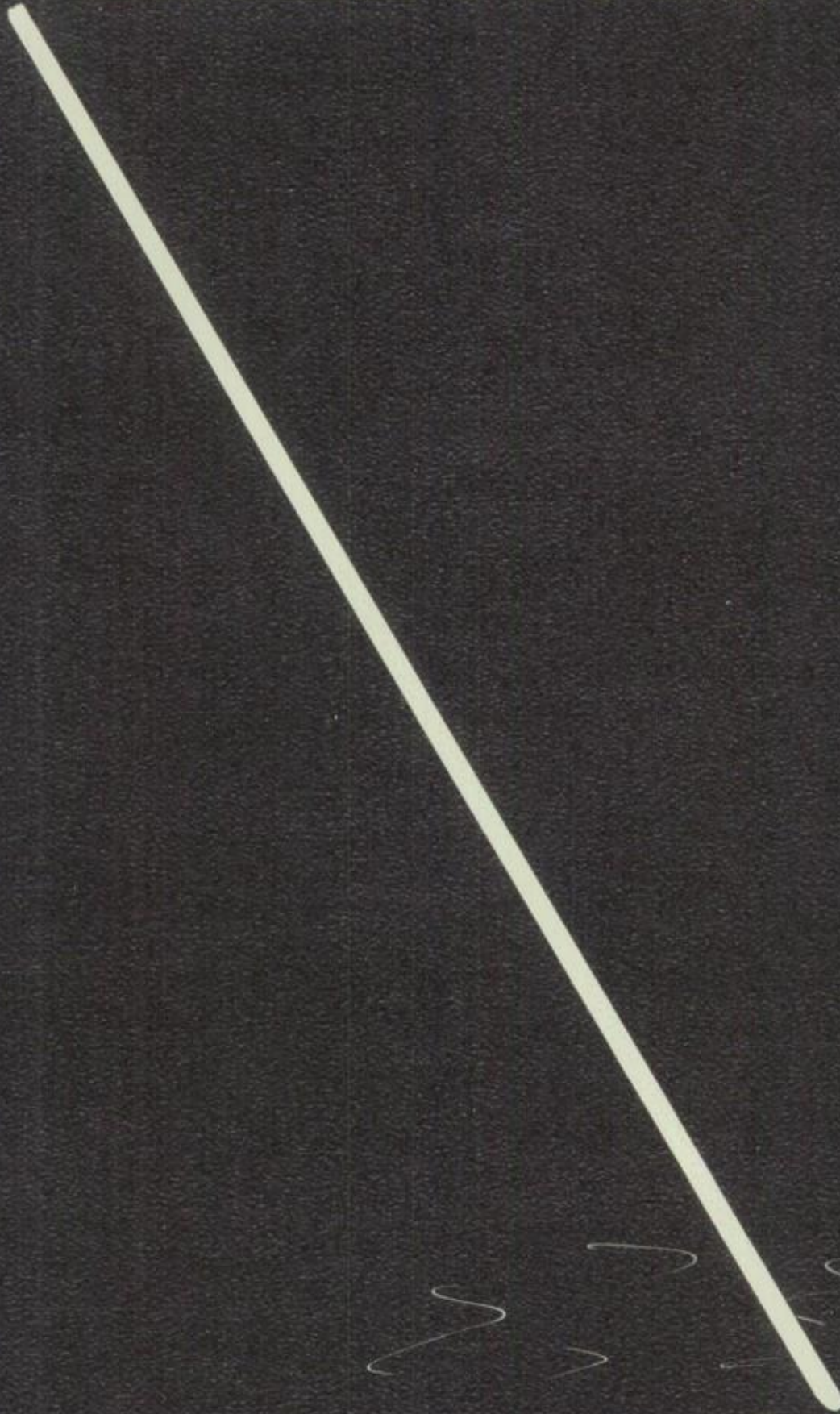
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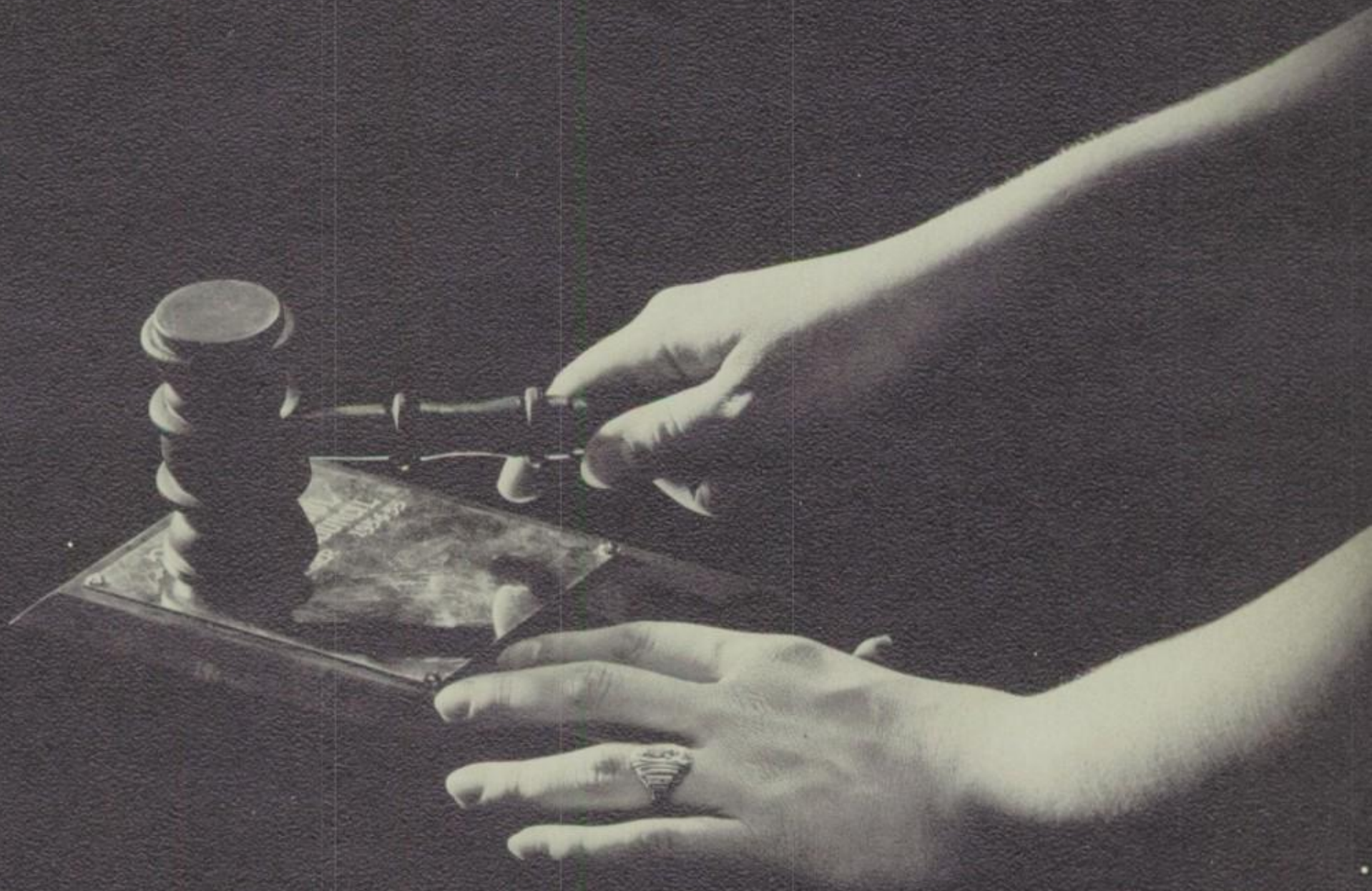
First Row: John Bender, Ortwin Kolewe, Darryl Moss, Richard Keister, David Smith, Jerry Cunningham, Jim Hoines.

Second Row: Bob Harms, Tom Newell, Richard Holmquist, Marvin Schuster, Jerry Rowe, Larry McLain, Terry Asbury.



ORGANIZATIONS





STUDENT



First Row: Carol Slater, President; Jo Ellen Hoffman, Vice-President. Second Row: Richard Keister, Secretary; Jerry Rowe, Reporter; Jim Hoines, Treasurer.

Representing student opinion, the Student Council aimed to create a harmonious relationship between the student body and the administration and between the school and the community.

Twenty-nine elected representatives, one from each homeroom, and six hold over members made up the council. The able advisors of the group were Mrs. Sellers and Miss Brannah.

This year's council was the organizer of the Northeastern Illinois Conference Sub-District, a branch of the Northeast-Northwest District of Student Councils in Illinois. Carol Slater was elected chairman of the new sub-district for the remainder of the school term. Belvidere's representatives were in charge of drawing up a constitution. This new organization includes all of the member schools of the newly formed Northeastern Illinois Conference, which deals largely with athletics.

The purpose of the councils of the conference schools is to work together to create good sportsmanship, to provide for exchange assemblies, and to have meetings at which similar school problems may be discussed.

Many activities are sponsored by the Council throughout the year. The Freshman Reception is held for the purpose of acquainting new students



LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

First Row: Chairman Dave Smith, Elmer Countryman. Second Row: Vivien Mau, Burnell Barr, Jerry Rowe, Judy Haffenden.

PROGRAM COMMITTEE

First Row: Chairman Peggy Luckow, Judy McLean, Charlene Vincent. Second Row: Jim Evans, Joyce Cole, Bob Berry.



CIVIL DEFENSE COMMITTEE

First Row: Judy Sellers, Bob Smith, Jerry Cunningham. Second Row: Shaun Yunk, Bob Jones.



COUNCIL

with the various school organizations. Elections of class officers and Student Council President are held to give practice in democratic voting procedures. Organization officers, class officers, and Student Council members are officially installed at the beginning of the school year. During the year several interesting assembly programs are chosen and paid for by the Council. The Christmas Decoration Contest adds to the yuletide spirit and arouses class competition.

The Student Council Carnival, held in the spring, is promoted as a means of aiding organizations and classes in raising money. High-lighting the Carnival is the crowning of the king and queen from one of the four competing classes.

The second annual student directory was published "primarily for the convenience of the students of Belvidere High School."

The council raised money to finance these activities through the sale of book-covers, car reflectors, and loyalty badges.

With the cooperation of the student body and faculty, this year's Council has functioned to meet the needs and interests of the students and to maintain its importance in Belvidere High.



SOCIAL COMMITTEE

First Row: Kathie Dobbins, David Curtis, Chairman Joanne Coarson. Second Row: Craig Auman, John Ede, David Johnson.



PROGRAM COMMITTEE

First Row: Angie Howlett, Lynn Myers. Second Row: Jerry Rowe, Chairman Jo Ellen Hoffman, Jim Hoines.



Mr. McAllister installs the newly elected '55-'56 organization officers in the formal initiation ceremony.



First Row: Ann Howe, Sophomore Assistant; Jo Ellen Hoffman, President; Judy Peterson, Junior Assistant. Second Row: Kay Cooper, Vice-President; Dorothy Johnson, Secretary-Treasurer.

GIRLS' ATHLETIC

In Belvidere High School the Girls' Athletic Association is the second largest organization. This group is under the supervision of Miss Werth.

Promoting good health and good sportsmanship among the girls are the main purposes of GAA.

Any girl in high school is eligible to become a member of GAA. A girl first becomes a pledge. The pledges this year were required to wear badges every day to school for about three weeks. In order for a girl to be a member, she must earn twenty-five points a year.

By attending before and after school classes the girls earn these points. Hikes are also held so that the girls may earn more points. All activities must be supervised in order to receive credit.

Beginning the year's activities, all GAA members, all non-members, and all pledges are invited to take part in the annual Buddy Hike. This year the girls hiked five miles into the country where they climaxed the event by having a picnic supper.

"Sentimental Sleighride," the theme for the winter formal dance, highlighted the winter activities of the school. The scenes on the walls showed many picturesque winter events. Dazzling icicles hung from tinsel rope which was strung across the entire ceiling. A life-sized horse seemed to be pulling a young couple in a sleigh. The one hundred and sixty couples that attended danced to the dreamy music of Bill Engberg's orchestra. Punch was served in the social room which represented a typical farm house kitchen. This annual



GAA members and their escorts dance and enjoy the enchanting scenery.

"Ah... at last... what we've been hiking for!"

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Judy Chalcraft, Carol Gorman, Carol Slater, Donna Jo Falkenstein, Beverly Turner, Virginia Cooper, Peggy Luckow, Carol Fye, Mary Alice Julin, Joyce Bulte, Andrea Howlett, Patsy Smith.



ASSOCIATION

formal dance was held on December 17.

In March the pledges were installed as full-pledged members of GAA. Parents of the pledges and members were invited to this formal initiation.

Belvidere's GAA entered into a skill championship basketball contest with other girls throughout the state.

The GAA annual informal dance was held in the early part of May. Later in May the GAA held its final social event, the Mother and Daughter Banquet. The faculty and the mothers of all GAA members were invited to attend. Awards were presented to the qualifying members. To qualify for these awards the girls must earn seventy-five points a year. The first year award is a set of numerals; the second is a "B"; the third is a state emblem; and the fourth is an "I." A worthy junior

girl received the Rosemary Zvonar Memorial which is always the high-light of the banquet. Officers for the coming year were installed by the present officers.

In order to earn money for GAA the girls sell pecans and pencils which have the basketball schedule printed on them. For the Student Council Carnival the girls also have a concession stand.

The purpose of the GAA is summed up in the pledge:

"I promise to uphold the ideals of the Girls' Athletic Association.

By promoting interest in athletics and the out-of-doors;

By living so that I may be healthy and strong;

By making good sportsmanship a constant factor in my conduct."

Proud pledges receive their membership pins at the GAA installation.



Mothers and daughters enjoy the reception following the installation.



B CLUB

Promoting good sportsmanship among athletes and taking part in all athletic events are the purposes of B Club.

This Club is an organization of athletic letter winners, managers, and coaches.

The only requirement for membership is to have won a letter in an interscholastic sport or as a manager. To maintain membership a number of working credits must be earned.

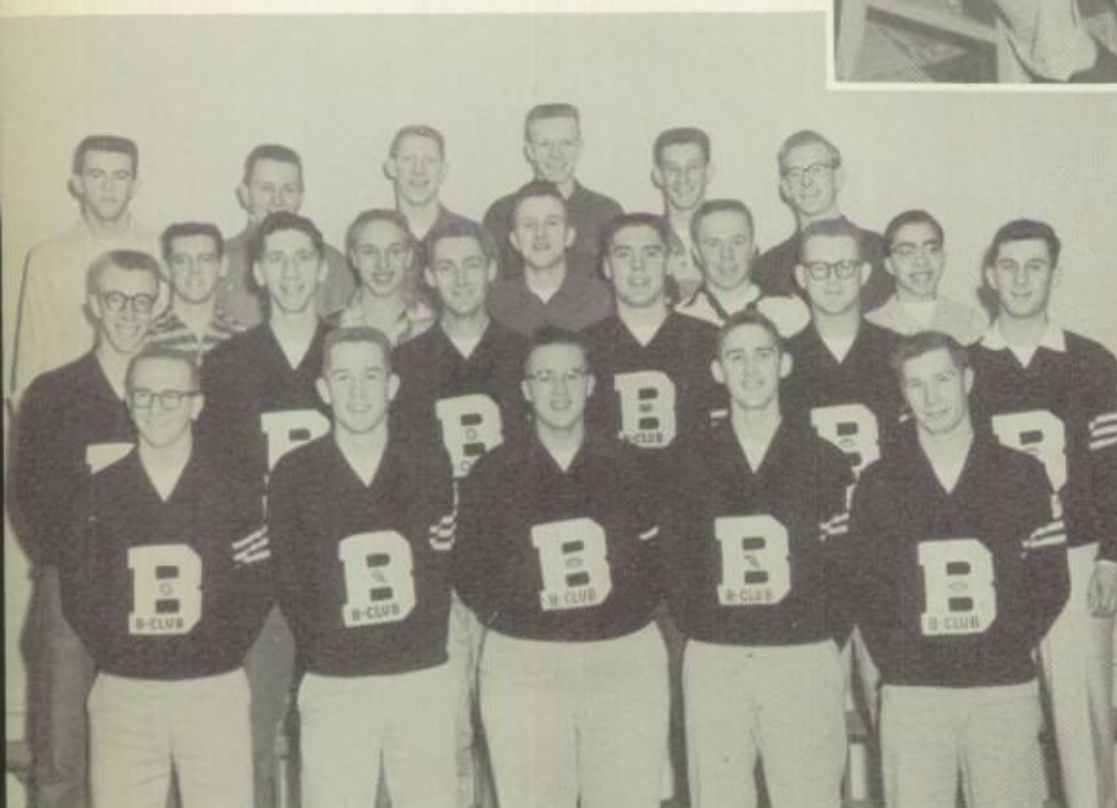


Junior members of B Club.

Terry Asbury, President; Dave Smith, Vice-President; Daryl Palmquist, Secretary; Larry McLain, Treasurer; Jim Hoines, Judge.



Senior members of B Club.



The chief functions of the club include running the concession stand at all home football and basketball games, ushering at the games, and helping to conduct the annual Frosh-Soph Tournament.

From the profit of these functions, awards are given to qualifying seniors. This year's B Club started another project, a manager's award plaque given as a memorial to Blake Rairdin who had served as head manager of the BHS athletic program. The plaque was given to the junior or senior manager who showed the best examples of service, scholarship, and citizenship during the year. This award will be given each year at the annual BHS Sports Banquet.

PEP CLUB

Functioning as the largest organization in BHS, the Pep Club creates pep and enthusiastic spirit among the students.

Pep Club supervises all Homecoming events. Honoring the basketball players in the spring, the Pep Club sponsors the Basketball Bounce.

The success of the club's activities would have been impossible without the assistance of



ADVISORY BOARD

First Row: J. Simons, K. Dobbins, D. Berry, J. McLean, K. Johnson. Second Row: B. Rundell, J. Evans, D. Clausius, D. Clausius, L. Sewell. Third Row: C. Slater, B. Hill, D. Schaezlein, O. Halverson, A. Albrecht, L. Koch.

Mary Coppernoll, Vice-President; Bob Berry, President; Dave Johnson, Treasurer; Julie Oliver, Secretary.

Pep Club members cheer the Bucs to victory.



Miss Wert, the club advisor.

By selling pom-poms and official Homecoming programs and from membership dues, the Pep Club raises sufficient funds to carry on its activities.

By boosting the Bucs, arousing school spirit, and encouraging good sportsmanship, the Pep Club plays an important part in strengthening the morale at Belvidere High School.

At the basketball games this year, the students in the pep section have worn white blouses and shirts to make a more effective cheering group.



CHEERLEADERS



Since the Little Bucs were split into a sophomore and freshman team, the cheering squads were also separated. There were only three sophomore cheerleaders to lead the yells this year. They are pictured at the left: Angie Howlett, Donna Jackson, and Valerie Burnham.

At the beginning of September, about thirty girls and three boys tried out for cheering positions. At the right a small number of them is shown leading a cheer before the student assembly. In the background the pep band is pictured.



The girls who were voted to lead the freshman yells were: First Row: Sandy Glass, Janice Bucklin, and Sharon Burton. Second Row: Nancy Dunbar, Sue Asbury, Lynn Meyers, and Kay Steinke.

The varsity cheerleaders are pictured on the opposite page around the megaphone. They are: Donna Jo Falkenstein, Judie Howlett, Ronald Goetz, Peggy Luckow, and Sallie Strate.



BEL-HI



BEL-HI STAFF

First Row: Alice Nelson, Donna Jo Falkenstein, Co-Editors. Second Row: Carol Gorman, Feature Editor; Ann Turner, Editorial Editor; Roger Gipp, Sports Editor; Doris Clausius, Assistant Feature Editor; Ann Keating, News Editor; Larry Waalewyn, Assistant Sports Editor.



BEL-HI BUSINESS STAFF

First Row: Beverly Turner, Assistant Advertising Manager; Linda Sewell, Business Manager. Second Row: Wona Dodge, Advertising Manager; Pat Schwebke, Exchange Editor.

"Get the copy ready. Only one more day to meet the deadline at the printers." These were familiar words to the staff of the school paper, the BEL-HI NEWS.

Each student received a copy of the BEL-HI NEWS about every two weeks. The paper was made up of either four or six pages. Once every month the students were given a copy of the ROTO, a small-scale graphic section furnished as a free public service by the National Scholastic Press Association.

Each page editor planned his page and then gave assignments to his reporters about three weeks before the date of publication. All reporters had a specific number of words to write.

After the assignments were handed in, the page editors edited and corrected the articles. Most of the work was done during journalism class. This class was added to the BHS curriculum this past year.

Following all necessary corrections, the staff typists typed the copy. The copy and the page layouts were taken to the printers

NEWS REPORTERS

First Row: Alice Huedepohl, Anita Kuss, Carol Leonard, Jean Wendell, Sandra Glass. Second Row: Pat Fitch, Judy McLean, Judy Leonard, Valerie Burnham, Jean Ehlers.



NEWS

a week before the paper was scheduled to come out. When the proofs came back, the staff proof-read them and made all final adjustments. The next step was the final printing and then the distribution to the student body.

The advertising manager and his assistant took charge of selling space for the ads, and the business manager made and collected all bills for these ads.

The exchange editor's job was to mail copies of the BEL-HI NEWS to many surrounding schools, local businessmen, and alumni.

The co-editors supervised all of the work, saw that the deadlines were met, and made sure that the students received their copies on time.

Students receive the BEL-HI NEWS free of charge. The paper is financed by Community Unit School District 100 and by ads obtained from local businesses.

This year the staff had a new advisor, Miss Burleigh, who has had much experience in the journalistic field. Many changes have been made under her supervision.



BEL-HI TYPISTS

First Row: Maxine LeClere, Diane Stone, Elsie Bruhn, Nancy Mason, Jeannine Carlson. Second Row: Jeanette Carlson, Sallie Strate, Janet Stevens, Roxan Lane, Judi Roselle.



Busy hands check the galley proof.



EDITORIAL REPORTERS

First Row: Lucille Luxton, Janice Bucklin, Shirley Sunden. Second Row: Judy Peterson, Mary Jean Armour. Third Row: Dave Dettmann, Dave Johnson.

FEATURE REPORTERS

First Row: Kay Cooper, Mary Ryoti, Dorothy Johnson. Second Row: Joanne Coarson, Geralyn Lepart.



"15.....25.....50.....and a dollar--right?"



Little boys as well as high school boys like candy after school.

JUNIOR CANDY GIRLS

An essential part of the financial program for the Prom each year is the continuous effort of the Junior Candy Girls. Selling paper before school in the morning and at noon, and selling candy after school and at home games during football and basketball season is the means by which the money is raised.

Approximately thirty-five girls make up this volunteer organization. Two girls are assigned to sell paper, two are assigned to sell candy at school, and four are assigned to sell at each home game. These girls are assisted by their advisors, Miss Bennett and Miss Hinrichs.

STUDENT PROJECTIONISTS

Many people think that all the Student Projectionists do is show movies whenever they are called upon to assist the teachers. However, this is not true. This volunteer group of seventeen boys and one girl is trained to mend films, and play and make recordings. Another part of their job as projectionists is to transport equipment from school to school and from room to room.

Occasionally they are asked to show movies to various organizations in town.

First Row: J. Davis, W. Knapp, D. Fidler, L. Krans.

Second Row: B. Swanson, G. Leach, J. Stroud, C. Axelson, M. Swanson.



At the beginning of the year meetings are held with Mr. Ryan, their advisor, to train new members and to refresh the memories of the more experienced members.

Few people realize the work that this group does. Very often the students are unaware of their existence. However, if BHS were without this group, their important service would truly be missed.

First Row: J. Countryman, J. Hyland, D. Edmonds.

Second Row: J. Greenlee, N. Peterson, D. Clausius, D. Butram, M. Rush. Not Pictured: D. Evans.





Diane Stone, Bunny Rundell, and Lois LaBuy shellac and number new books for the shelves.



Judy Rydbom, Secretary; Jeannine Carlson, President; Lois Kaschub, Vice-President; Lucille Luxton, Treasurer.

LIBRARY CLUB

BHS's library was one of the major improvements of the past year. Miss Hinrichs, the librarian and the Library Club advisor, needed much help in moving the books and other library equipment. The members of the club all helped to make the library a neat and orderly place.

Once the big job was over, which took nearly a semester, the student librarians settled down to certain tasks which any library that functions properly

requires.

Although the club's function is primarily a service to the school, it also has several social activities. A spaghetti supper was given at the beginning of the year to welcome freshman members. Late in January, the club gave a Faculty Tea to show the teachers the new books, the blonde furniture, the librarian's office, and the conference room--all needed innovations.

DEBATE

The smallest, but probably the most constructive organization in Belvidere High School is Debate. This year there were ten members on the team.

Under the direction of Miss Helligas, these members learn to express their opinions on matters in a clear and concise fashion.

The team debated on the problem

"Resolved: That federal subsidies should be granted to schools."

In October the team attended a clinic at Northwestern University. At this workshop the members learned the fundamentals of debating. This was a one day event which was composed of different meetings which discussed problems of debate.

Hugh Thompson, Donald Swanlund, Ron Sturm, Ingrid Pesler, Carol Karp.

David Johnson, Angie Howlett, Dawn Hicks, Bill Beu. Not Pictured; Kathie Dobbins.





Jim Greenlee, Treasurer; Dave Steurer, Vice-President; Roy Kiefer, President; Ortwin Kolewe, Vice-President; Dave Rewoldt, Secretary.

INDUSTRIAL ARTS CLUB

Anyone interested in gaining knowledge of the fundamentals of industry may become a member of this club.

One of the main purposes of the Industrial and Vocational Arts Club is to promote better opportunities for leadership for the members by developing a better understanding of the principles of modern industry. To provide opportunities for social achievement through activities of the club is another purpose. Through talks by industrial personnel and through shopwork, drafting, and movies, the boys learn about craftsmanship. Each day the students spend two periods in machine shop to learn drafting and drawing.

This year the entire club went to the state convention in East Moline instead of taking the annual trip to Chicago. The three sections of the

state met at the convention to learn more about industry as a whole and to discuss the duties of the club members.

The membership of the club has grown each year. The total enrollment for this year, the eleventh in the club's history, was sixty-two. The same point system as last year was in effect. Each member had to earn at least eight credits to stay in the club. These credits were earned by working in the check-room and other volunteer work such as serving on committees. The major source of income was from the operation of the Community Building check-room.

Mr. Moss and Mr. Meyerhofer, the co-advisors, are proud of their well organized club.



Busy Industrial Arts Club members check coats at various activities in the Community Building.

Marv Schuster and John Bender display their woodworking skill.

BELVI STAFF

SEATED: Terry Asbury, Business Manager Don Ryoti. STANDING: Ronald Goetz, Donna Church, Carol Gorman, Editor Carol Leonard, Jo Ellen Hoffman, Cheryl Peters, Donna Jo Falkenstein, Carol Slater.



BELVI

The yearbook staff is faced with the all-important task of presenting by picture and story the school in action.

This year the staff, composed of seniors, worked together continuously in order to produce the 1956 BELVI.

Meetings of the staff were held three times during the summer so that when school started in the fall, the staff was prepared to start working immediately.

The first important item was getting the "dummy" made. The "dummy" is the working plan that the staff follows. The staff photographers started to take the faculty pictures, and Mr. York McClary took the student pictures which were then identified and placed on the right pages. By this time the first deadline, December 1, had arrived, and one-fourth of the pages were sent to the printers.

Even before these pages were sent, work was begun on the pages for the second deadline, January 15. Among these were the athletic pages for the football season, faculty pages, and

class history pages.

The third deadline, February 10, rolled around in a hurry, especially since semester exams came along, too, but the staff managed to make it. Pictures had to be taken of the officers and the committees of the various organizations, and the copy for these organizations had to be written.

For the fourth and final deadline, March 8, everything that had not been sent up to that time had to be done. That included the rest of the athletics, honors, dedication, foreword, and the title page.

Although the book was finished, the staff was not through. All the spring activities were yet to be done. Pictures and copy for these are included in the supplement, which comes out in late summer.

The BELVI is financed by subscriptions, organizations, the athletic department, and the senior class. It is supervised by the advisor, Miss Blackburn.

BELVI STAFF

PHOTOGRAPHERS

SEATED: Alan Albrecht.
STANDING: Art Daniel,
Jim Johnson.



Draw your own conclusions.

F. F. A.

The Belvidere Chapter of Future Farmers of America, under the supervision of Mr. Witt, is part of the largest organization of farm boys in the world. Any farm boy interested in a career in agriculture may join the FFA. The



Ag. III boys check corn yields.

Arthur Daniel, President; Robert Lyford, Vice-President; Ronald Salley, Secretary; Ronald Jones, Treasurer; Tom Hyland, Reporter; LeRoy Hollembeak, Sentinel.



Freshman Ag. boys learn to repair plows.



new members are taken into the organization at the formal initiation each fall. The Belvidere FFA has forty-nine members this year.

During the school year, the FFA enters the sectional public speaking, parliamentary procedure, and judging contests. This organization also conducts a plowing and tractor driving contest and a car economy run to check the gas mileage of the boys' cars.

The biggest event of the year is the FFA banquet at which the boys are given awards for their project work.

F.N.C.

The Future Nurses Club, a newly organized club this year, has two main purposes. The first is to promote among the students an interest in nursing. The second purpose is to help nurses by co-operating with them. Any girl who has an interest in a nursing career may belong to the club. The club meets once a month during the activity period. During this time, nursing personnel gives talks to let the members know anything about a nurse's training and work by describing hospitals, courses, and cost of training.

Each girl is assigned to a committee to which she is supposed to give her help and time. A committee is organized for each holiday. For the holiday the selected committee makes decorations and favors for the patients at the two hospitals in Belvidere. When the members of each committee deliver these favors, each girl is invited to take a conducted tour of the hospitals.

Mr. Virgil McAllister was instrumental in organizing this group and is considered an advisor. Mrs. Sidney Nash, the advisor, has given her time and knowledge of nursing to help make this club a success.



Sharon Burton, Corresponding Secretary; Donna Taylor, President; Frances Blake, Secretary; Lois Carlson, Vice-President; Anita Kuss, Treasurer.



SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Chairman Sandy Glass, Beverly Baumer, Carol Gorman, Cheryl Peters, Judy Peterson, Kay Cooper, Nancy Dunbar.



Three F.N.C. members who helped decorate the hospitals are: Judy Nash, Helen Carlson, Beverly Moorehead.

Valentine committee members cut and paste favors to cheer hospital patients on February 14.



Ellen Christensen, President; Doris Clausius, Vice-President; Charles Cowger, Treasurer; Dixie Kelly, Secretary.

Under the baton of D. J. Shiplett, the BHS band has worked earnestly this past year for its performances in parades, in concerts, and at games. It was made up of seventy-two members and five twirlers.

Each member had a shocking experience at the beginning of the year when he found out about eight o'clock marching practice in the cold, bitter mornings. Everyone was glad when they were over.

INSTRUMENTAL

Before football season came to an end, work began on the selections for the winter concert. Again it meant a lot of work outside first period. Many members were beginning to think maybe that band wasn't worth the time.

For basketball games there was a new system: the band was divided into two groups, which alternated playing at the games. Getting in free at every other basketball game certainly had its advantages--maybe band wasn't so bad after all.

Outside preparation popped up again when contest time drew near. The district music contest this past year was held in Sycamore on March 24. Soloists and members of ensembles were practicing all the time they possibly could in hopes that they would be able to participate in the state music contest, which was held at Bradley College in Peoria on May 4 and 5. It meant a couple of days out of school. No wonder they worked so hard!

THE CONCERT BAND



MUSIC

The main social event of the band was its spring banquet and dance. At this time awards were presented and new officers were named. The annual picnic at the close of the school year as always was loads of fun for the band members.



TWIRLERS AND DRUM MAJOR

First Row: Linda Moffatt, Virginia Cooper, Donna Church. Second Row: Clara Jane Parker, John Lanning, Jean Wendell.

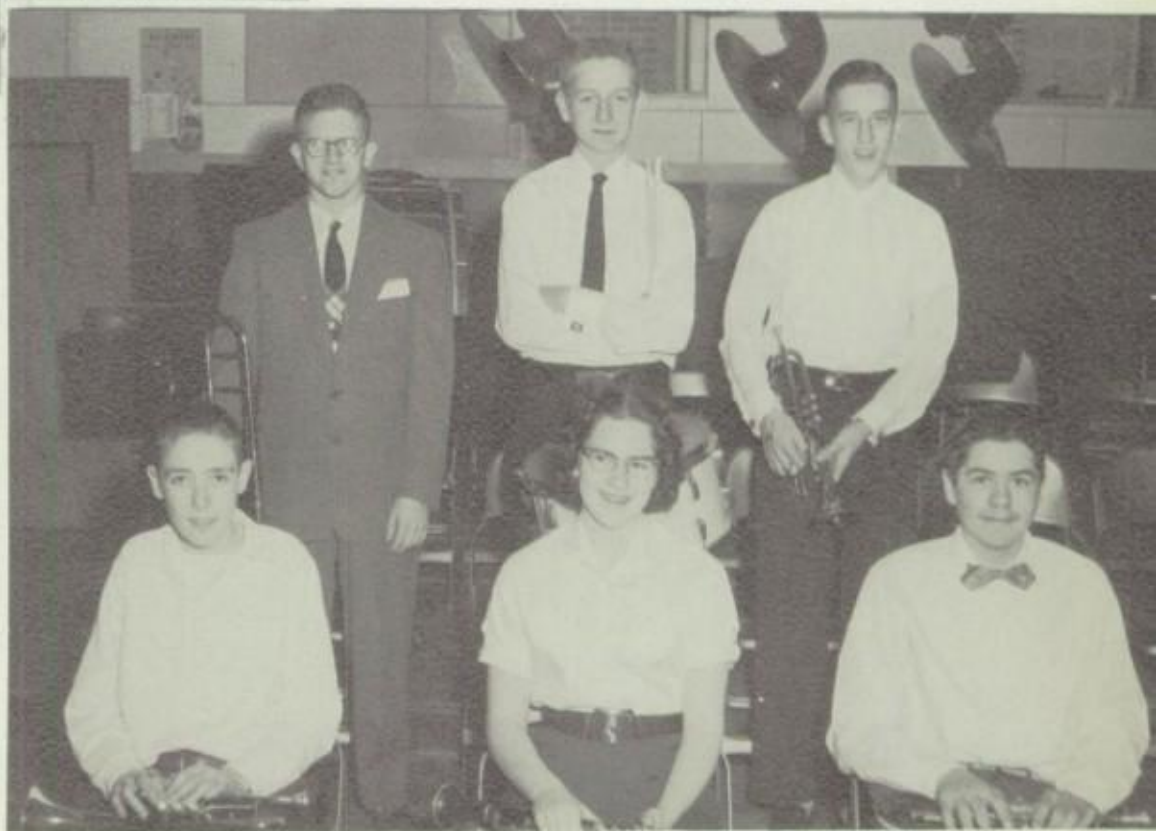


Band contestants of the district music competition.

FRESHMAN BAND

First Row: Jerry Lusz, Marcia Kaschub, Kenneth Lembke. Second Row: Rodney Sturm, Russell Edwards, Roger Loveridge.

The annual spring concert brought to an end the practicing of heavy music. It was a relief to relax and be able to play lighter music. Then the end actually came when the band minus its senior members played selections at commencement. Another year of music was over as far as school activities were concerned. However, just as there were parades to lead during the school year, there were still several to look forward to in the summer.





TRIO

Ellen Christensen, Kathie Dobbins, Linda Moffatt.



SEXTET

Linda Brooks, Shirley Sunden, Sherron Auman, Bette Winne, Ann Turner, Lorna Brooks.



VOCAL LIBRARIANS

Helen Schultz, Audrey Moss, Bonnie Bowley, Ann Keating, Shirley Sunden, Janice Moore.

KORALEERS

At the 1955 Christmas Concert, Mrs. Reeves introduced a new select group of thirty-six singers. This group goes by the name of the Koraleers. The Koraleers was organized when a few members of Koral Klub came to practice twice a week at eight in the morning. Those thirty-six singers made their first formal appearance at the Christmas concert at which the toyland theme was carried out. The girls wearing red sweaters, red muffs, and black skirts, were escorted onto the stage by the male members of the group who wore red vests over white dress shirts and black trousers.

The Koraleers resumed practice after the concert in preparation for

two tours of one day each. One tour was taken in April and one in May. On these tours the group provided vocal selections for high school assemblies in neighboring towns. However, the Koraleers was enlarged for the tours by the addition of new members from the Koral Klub and the Treble Clef Choir.

Between the two days of the tour, the Koraleers actively took part in the Spring Concert which was held on April 27. After the Spring Concert, the Annual music department banquet was held. The awards which the members had been earning during the year were presented at this time. The officers for band and the vocal groups for the coming year were also announced.



The Koraleers at a dress rehearsal for the Christmas concert.

Sally Jo Carlson, Attendance Secretary; Jo Ellen Hoffman, President; Ellen Christensen, Vocal Department Treasurer; Angie Howlett, Assistant Treasurer; Irmgard Pesler, Point Secretary; Dixie Kelly, Vice-President.



TREBLE CLEF

The Treble Clef Choir is a newly organized group of eighty members who meet during the eighth hour every day of the school week. This group is an all girl chorus which consists of upperclassmen and a few underclassmen.

All members of vocal groups earn points in order to receive awards at the banquet in the spring. These points are earned by taking part in public appearances, regular attendance at church choir, and by going to concerts which must be approved by Mrs. Reeves. The first year award is a certificate stating that the member has earned the specific number of points required. A pin is the second year award. The third year award is the vocal emblem which is in the shape of a lyre. A trophy, the fourth

year award, is the final achievement which a member may receive.

Along with the other vocal groups, the Treble Choir sang at the Christmas Concert which was held on December 17 this year. The girls were attired in multi-colored jumpers and white long sleeved blouses. After the concert all of the music groups combined to enjoy a party. Social chairmen of the three vocal groups planned the party. Dance music was provided by records. Refreshments, which were donated by the members, were served later in the evening.

On April 27, the Treble Clef took an active part in the spring concert.

Mary Jean Armour, Dana Van Epps, and Linda Moffatt have been the accompanists this year.

A complete panoramic view of the Treble Clef members at a practice session.



KORAL KLUB

When school opened in the fall of '55, the Koral Klub had been given sixth period each day in which to practice. No longer was Koral Klub a group of thirty students coming to practice at eight o'clock every morning as they had been doing the year before. It now had a membership of one hundred students, which made up BHS's largest chorus.

This year Koral Klub had charge of the Christmas Concert. Many hours of labor and painstaking work were put into this concert



Bass and tenor members of Koral Klub.

First Row: Larry McLain, Assistant Treasurer; Giles Turner, Vice-President.
Second Row: Ann Turner, Attendance Secretary; Bette Winne, President; Judy Peterson, Point Secretary.



Soprano and alto members of Koral Klub.



to make it a success. The first half of the concert was semi-religious and the second half carried through a toyland theme. All through the concert, a large flame red flocked Christmas tree twinkled with small lights. Two large beglittered toy soldiers stood guard over the whole stage. Even the piano received a face lifting job with the help of some red paint and silver glitter.

Led by Mrs. Reeves the Koral Klub also played an important role in the annual spring concert.

GIRLS' CHORUS

An important part of the music department is the Girls' Chorus. This group was composed of seventy-five freshman girls who wanted to learn the fundamentals of vocal music.

The group participated in all of the concerts that were presented throughout the year. The first of these was the Christmas concert. Following this the chorus took part in the annual spring concert, which was held in April.

Among their many selections the girls sang religious, humor-



All ready for the concert.



First Row: Shirley Hoffman, Assistant Treasurer; Mary Ryoti, Vice-President. Second Row: Sue Asbury, Point Secretary; Janice Bucklin, Attendance Secretary; Judy Haffenden, President.

An enthusiastic group of girl choristers.

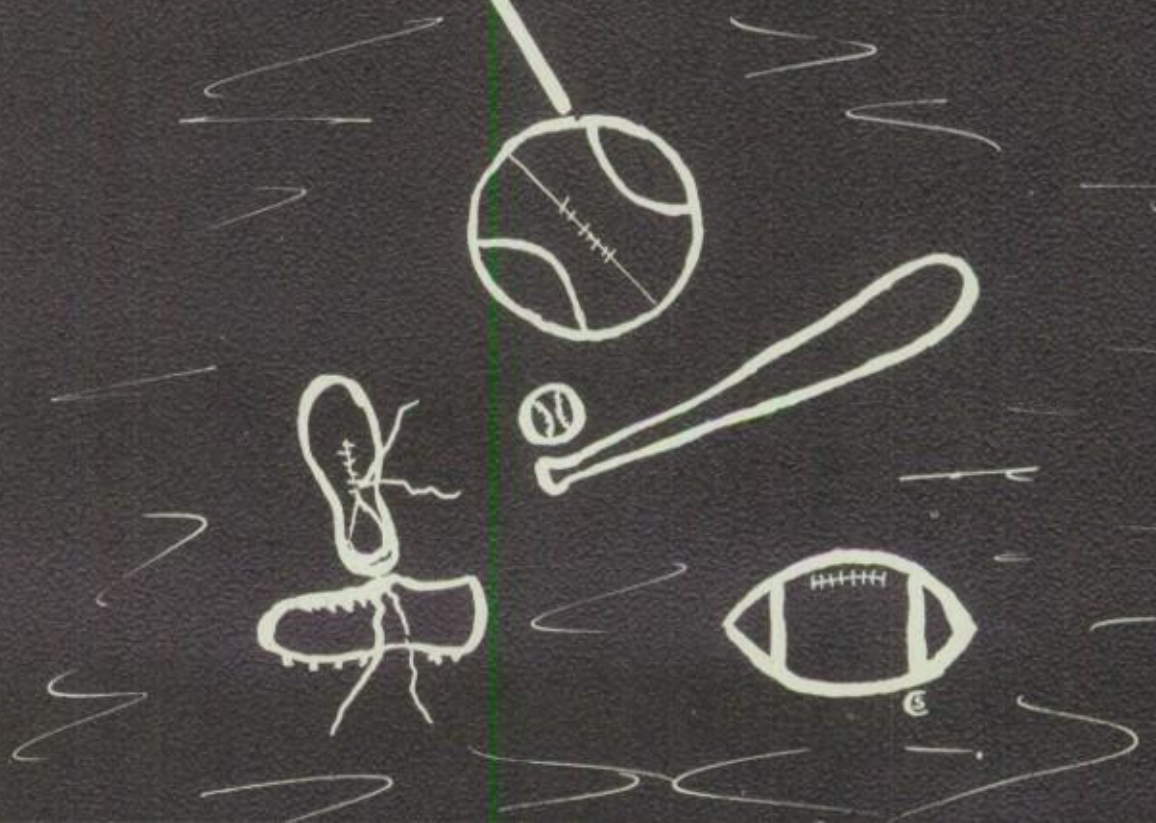
ous, and classical numbers. A few of their songs were dramatized with motions which corresponded to the words.

In the Girls' Chorus there is the first opportunity for the earning of points. If enough points are earned, the members receive their first year award at the spring banquet. The extra points are carried over into the member's next year's musical group.

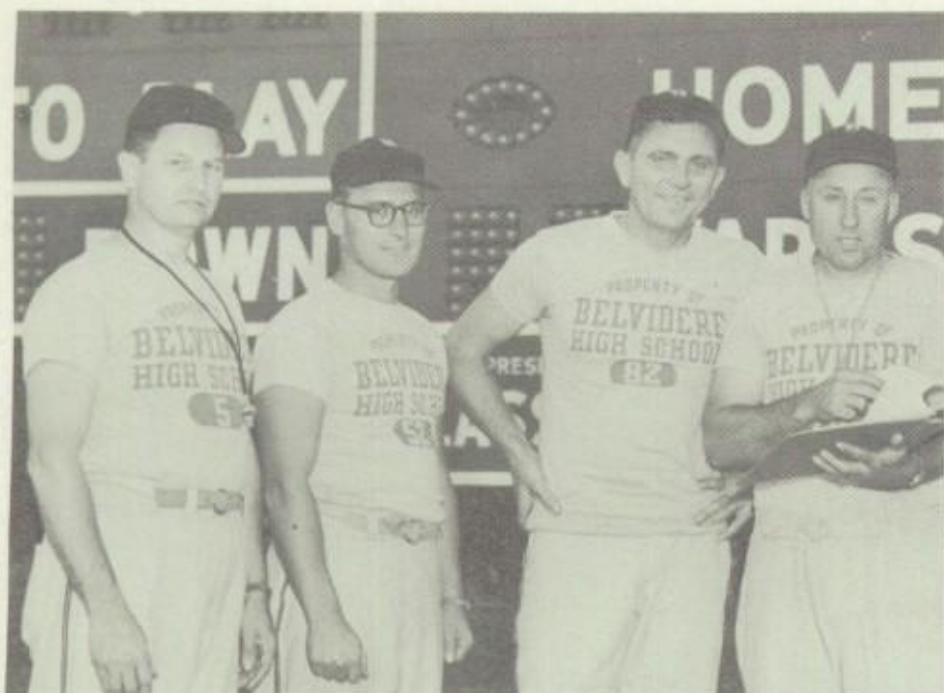
The group was under the direction of Mrs. Reeves, and they were accompanied on the piano by Lorna Brooks.



ATHLETICS







Wayne Sturm, Rudy Chapko, Stan Patrick, Joe Lewis.

COACHES

Wayne Sturm, a new face in the coaching department this year, comes to Belvidere from Amboy, Illinois, where he coached varsity football and frosh basketball. Wayne graduated from Western State University and received his M.S. degree there. At B.H.S. Wayne serves as sophomore football coach and assistant varsity basketball and varsity track coach. He also teaches six classes of General Science each day.

Rudy Chapko, the other new face in the coaching department, enters B.H.S. after serving as varsity track coach and football and basketball assistant coach at Tomah, Wisconsin. Rudy is a graduate of La Crosse State

College where he received his B.S. degree. He is now working for his M.S. degree from the University of Wisconsin and has completed three of the four required summers. At Belvidere, Rudy coaches sophomore basketball, varsity tennis, and assists in varsity football. Rudy also teaches two Safe-Driving and five gym classes.

Stan Patrick is also a busy man at B.H.S. Stan coaches varsity basketball, varsity golf, and frosh football. He also teaches six classes of Civics. He is a graduate of Leo High, in Chicago, and has attended Gonzaga University in the state of Washington and the University of Illinois, receiving his B.A. degree from the latter. In 1950 Stan came to B.H.S. after playing five years in the professional basketball ranks.

Joe Lewis who is Athletic Director, varsity football, varsity baseball, frosh basketball coach, and physical education instructor has been at B.H.S. for twelve years. "Beansie" as he is affectionately called by the athletes is a graduate of the University of Missouri where he received his B.E. degree. Joe has also attended Daniel Baker College and served five years in the Navy. Previous to his coming to B.H.S., Joe coached one year each at Mt. Vernon, Missouri and Carmi, Illinois and three years at Johnson City, Illinois.

MANAGERS

This year has been a most successful one for both the grid-iron and hardwood Bucs. However, this success could not have been possible without the valuable aid contributed by our athletic managers. These boys are a hard-working, well-organized group and we wish to congratulate them on the terrific job they have done this year.



FIRST ROW: Charles Shuckhart, Bob Hyser, Bob Leonard. SECOND ROW: Jim Johnson, George Gibson, Head Manager Blake Rairdin, Jan Goranson, Bob Hamilton.



WILBUR BAUMANN
Junior Guard



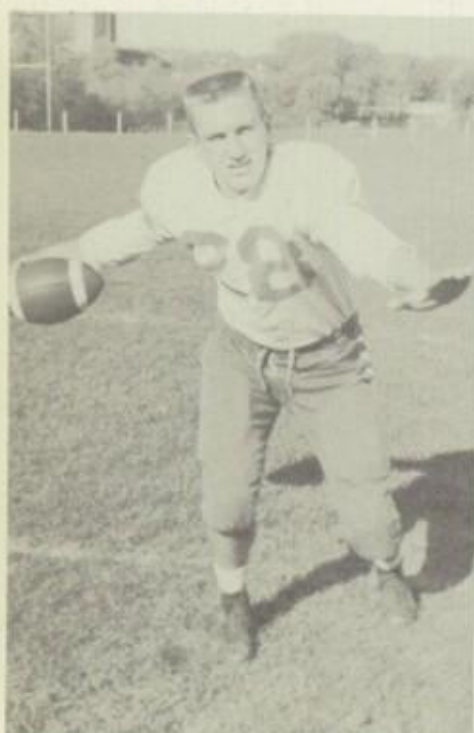
RONALD JONES
Junior Halfback



MARLYN MOREHEAD
Junior Guard



JACK JOHNSON
Senior Halfback



GILES TURNER
Junior Fullback



JERRY CUNNINGHAM
Junior Guard



DAVE SMITH
Junior Guard



DARRYL MOSS
Junior Halfback



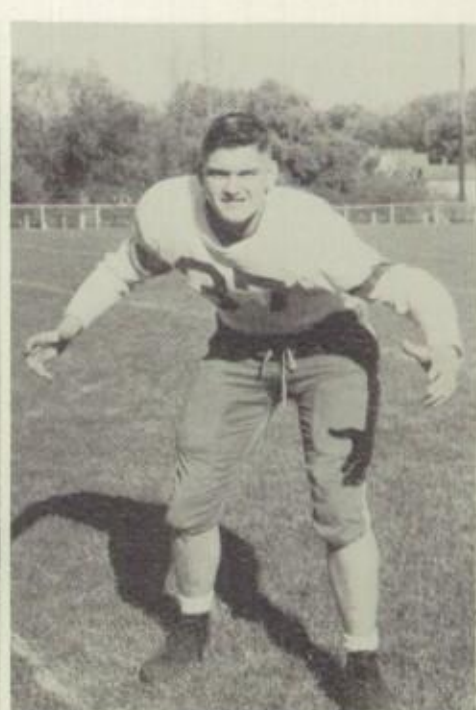
GEORGE ZVONAR
Senior Guard



CARLTON AXELSON
Junior Tackle



ALAN JACKSON
Junior End



ROGER FIDDER
Junior Tackle



ROGER STEINKE
Senior Tackle



STEVE O'SULLIVAN
Junior End



DAVID BERMAN
Junior Center



RICHARD HOLMQUIST
Senior End



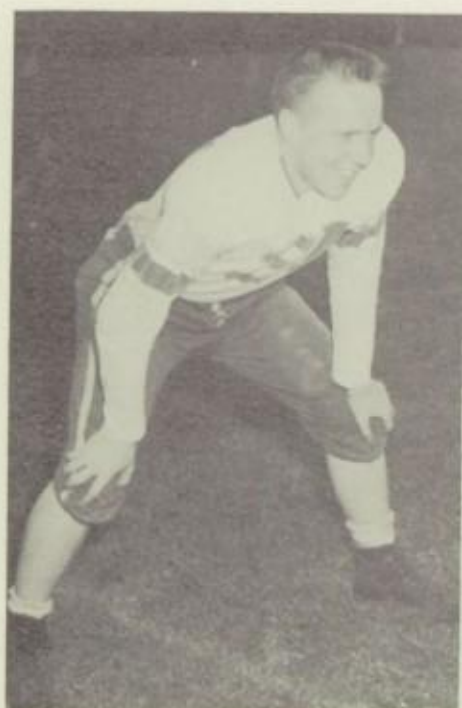
BRUCE CRUM
Junior Tackle



DON CLAUSIUS
Junior Center



SAM BLAKLEY
Junior Guard



RONALD ANDERSEN
Senior Center



KENNETH NETTLETON
Senior Tackle



RICHARD KEISTER
Junior Quarterback



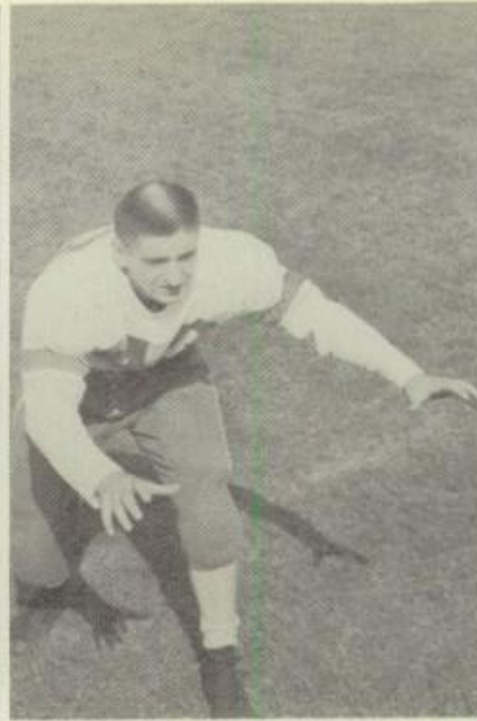
BERNARD SWANSON
Junior Tackle



LARRY McLAIN
Junior Quarterback



RON MAXON
Junior End



JIM GRUBB
Junior Tackle



JERRY ROWE
Junior End



JIM HOINES
Senior Guard



JOHN BENDER
Senior Halfback



GARY CARROLL
Junior Center



ORTWIN KOLEWE
Junior Halfback



JIM SUMMERS
Junior End



PAUL ARTLIP
Junior Halfback



JOHN STARR
Senior End



FIRST ROW: D. Whitehead, B. Beu, D. Johnson, D. Ferguson, J. Kimmey, S. Combs, B. Anderson. SECOND ROW: C. Worf, R. Bender, J. Pearson, D. Dashney, D. Berry, S. Yunk, B. Barr, R. Alms. THIRD ROW: B. Leaich, D. Hicks, D. Palmquist, W. Casperson, J. Stroud, K. Schwebke, A. Steurer, R. Leonard, W. Kasper.

SOPHS

Belvidere	0	Harlem	20
Belvidere	0	E. Rockford	21
Belvidere	36	Lockport	0
Belvidere	6	Marmion	7
Belvidere	0	Sterling	18
Belvidere	12	N. Chicago	6
Belvidere	13	DeKalb	12



Most Improved Player, Dave Ferguson; Co-Captains, Daryl Palmquist and Steve Combs.

Belvidere	19	Harlem	7
Belvidere	19	DeKalb	0
Belvidere	26	Sycamore	0
Belvidere	20	Sycamore	0
Belvidere	39	Sycamore	7
Belvidere	26	DeKalb	0

UNDEFEATED FROSH

FIRST ROW: B. Taylor, H. Gossage, G. Schultz, J. Peschl, R. McClenthen, N. Simon, R. Jacobson, H. Halverson, K. Smith, J. Countryman. SECOND ROW: D. Galster, B. Smith, D. Taylor, D. Fidler, R. Sturm, K. Johnson, K. Gray, C. Stroud, C. Tobin, M. Mild. THIRD ROW: B. Jones, W. Lampert, D. Curtis, R. Wheeler, K. Robertson, D. Vail, G. Ashley, J. Kenney, B. Wilcox, P. Johnson, G. Spate.





First Row: Bob Smith, Ken Balentyne, Pete Silvius, David Maitland, Jerry Ashens, David Taylor, Bob Jones. Second Row: Gene Ward, Chuck Byers, Gordie Spate, Ken Robertson, David Curtis, Russ Wheeler, Charles Stroud, Darrell Butram.

FRESHMEN BUCS

Belvidere	57	DeKalb	36	Belvidere	39	DeKalb	38
Belvidere	49	Freeport	54	Belvidere	53	Capron	36
Belvidere	54	Harlem	41	Belvidere	38	Harlem	63
Belvidere	55	Capron	32	Belvidere	44	Marengo	19
Belvidere	37	Sycamore	39	Belvidere	44	Sycamore	32
Belvidere	52	Marengo	38	Belvidere	45	Harlem	39

Some defenses are tough--

and others aren't so tough.



SOPHOMORE RECORD

Belvidere	49	St. Edwards	36
Belvidere	40	DeKalb	47
Belvidere	60	Round Lake	43
Belvidere	49	W. Rockford	45
Belvidere	36	Marmion	34
Belvidere	50	E. Aurora	57
Belvidere	77	Kirkland	35
Belvidere	52	E. Rockford	63
Belvidere	40	Genoa	53
Belvidere	41	Rochelle	34
Belvidere	38	Sterling	57
Belvidere	71	Harlem	54
Belvidere	40	St. Thomas	39
Belvidere	50	W. Aurora	48
Belvidere	58	Dunbar	51
Belvidere	52	E. Rockford	53
Belvidere	53	Marmion	52
Belvidere	39	Freeport	46
Belvidere	58	Marengo	45
Belvidere	41	Rochelle	53

SOPHOMORE

BUCS

MOST IMPROVED PLAYER:

Jim Stroud

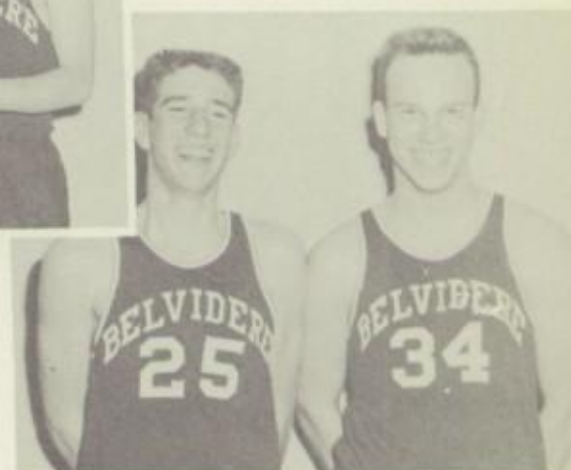
FREE THROW CHAMP:

Dave Ferguson



CO-CAPTAINS:

Del Hicks, Wayne Casperson



First Row: Bob Anderson, Larry Leonard, Butch Barr, Dan Whitehead, LeRoy Booth, Dave Ferguson. Second Row: Dan Lunsford, Del Hicks, Alan Steurer, Jim Stroud, Wayne Casperson, Ken Schwebke, Rich Bender, Daryl Palmquist.

GO-FIGHT





Del Hicks drives for lay-up.



Rowe gets two on tip-in.



Stroud catches East flat-footed.

VARSITY RECORD

Belvidere	67	St. Edwards	60
Belvidere	59	DeKalb	56
Belvidere	83	Round Lake	46
Belvidere	62	W. Rockford	82
Belvidere	63	Marmion	55
Belvidere	59	E. Aurora	66
Belvidere	47	Kirkland	41
Belvidere	78	S. Beloit	74
Belvidere	64	Harlem	47
Belvidere	75	Shabbona	72
Belvidere	63	Rock Falls	60
Belvidere	55	Sycamore	70
Belvidere	64	E. Rockford	67
Belvidere	49	Genoa	44
Belvidere	69	Rochelle	58
Belvidere	58	Sterling	63
Belvidere	65	Harlem	75
Belvidere	74	St. Thomas	51
Belvidere	46	W. Aurora	55
Belvidere	58	Dunbar	85
Belvidere	65	E. Rockford	66
Belvidere	63	Marmion	61
Belvidere	75	Freeport	74
Belvidere	65	Marengo	32
Belvidere	51	*Rochelle	72



Asbury throws from out.



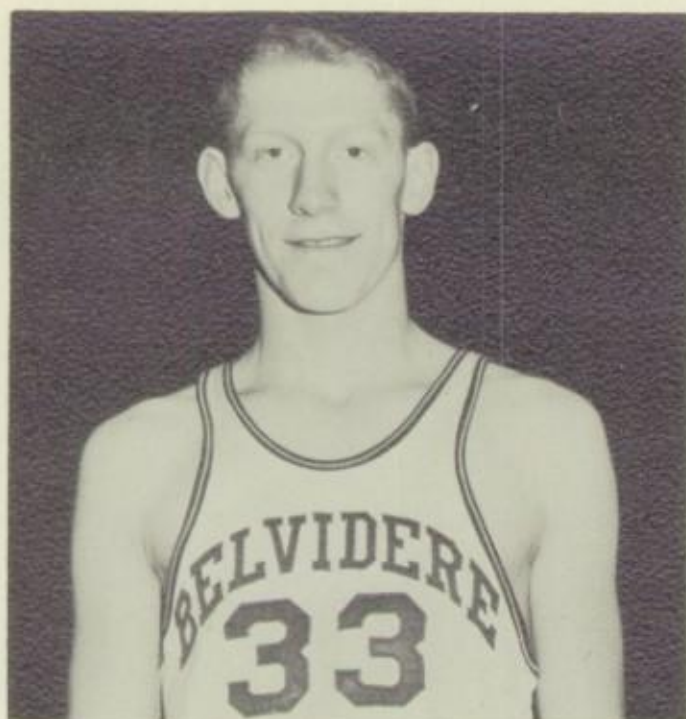
McLain scores two at DeKalb.

Holmquist fires, two!

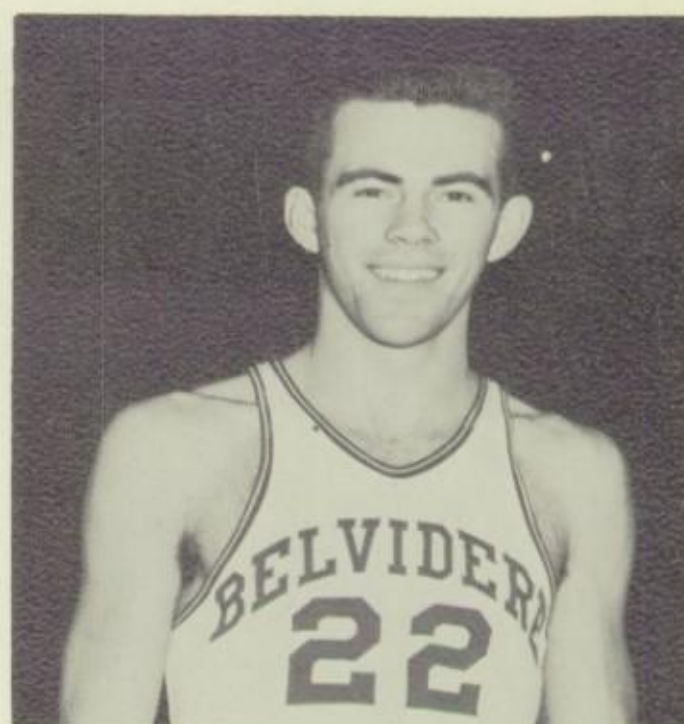
"Dead-eye" Dick steps to the line.

"Bevo" gets tip from Rochelle.





RICHARD HOLMQUIST
Captain and Free-throw Champion



TERRY ASBURY
Most Valuable Player

VARSIITY BUCS

The Varsity Bucs of '55-'56 opened their season with a bang, starting out with three consecutive victories over St. Edwards 68-60, DeKalb 59-56, and Round Lake 83-46.

The fourth game took the Bucs to West Rockford, where they absorbed a 20 point licking from the state champs.

Trips to Aurora on two consecutive nights brought a victory over the Mar-mion Cadets, 63-55 and a seven point loss to East Aurora.

Before beginning the Christmas holidays in the Harlem Tournament the Bucs edged Kirkland 47-41. After defeating South Beloit 78-74, in the first game, the Bucs knocked off Harlem 64-47 to bring home the championship trophy of the Harlem Holiday Tourney.

In the DeKalb Holiday Tournament the Bucs advanced to the semi-finals with three point victories over Shab-bona, 75-72, and Rock Falls, 63-60, before falling to eventual champions Sycamore, 70-55. The Bucs were greatly hindered in this game by the loss of Jerry Rowe, due to a leg injury. Rowe was one of the leading scorers in the tournament and was named to the All-Tournament team.

Following the holidays the Bucs ventured to East Rockford, where after leading most of the way, they lost to the E-Rabs 67-64.

Two more wins were added to the list in Genoa, 49-44, and Rochelle, 69-58, but were counteracted by losses to Sterling and Harlem, the latter avenging an earlier season loss.

St. Thomas was handed a 23 point

licking 74-51 on the Bucs' home court, but West Aurora took the measure of the Bucs by a 55-46 count at Aurora.

On successive nights Dunbar, an all colored team from Chicago and East Rockford dumped the Bucs, Dun-bar by 27 points and East by 1 in a thriller.

The following week-end was a complete reversal as Marion and Free-port fell victims to two thrilling last minute rallies, 63-61 and 75-74.

The six senior Bucs saw their last action on the home court as they swamped Marengo 65-32.

The final game of the season saw Rochelle avenge an 11 point defeat, January 14, by dealing the Bucs a 72-51 loss.

The Bucs finished their regular season with a 15 won 10 lost record which was the best in the past two years and tied the '52-'53 record.

The Bucs were led throughout the season by regulars, Clarence Paulson, Richard Holmquist, Jerry Rowe, Larry McLain and Terry Asbury. Alan Albrecht, Jim Hoines, Roger Steinke, and Jerry Cunningham also contributed creditable performances during the year. The rest of the squad was composed of Bob Harms, Butch Keister, Darryl Moss, Gary Carroll, Herman Voiles, Marlyn Morehead, Harry Zoellick, and Dave Steurer.

Seniors Holmquist, Asbury, Albrecht, Hoines, Steinke, and Harms will be lost through graduation, but the remaining ten juniors will return to comprise what should be a highly successful '56-'57 basketball squad.

VARSITY BUCS

E. ROCKFORD
21 COPP
25 GUASTO
32 CHOPPI
33 ADAMSON
34 CLOW
43 LEWIS
44 ENGLUND
47 GRAEFF
48 LASKY
51 LINDSAY



First Row: Marlyn Morehead, Darryl Moss, Jerry Cunningham, Jim Hoines, Harry Zoellick. Second Row: Dave Steurer, Terry Ashbury, Richard Holmquist, Roger Steinke, Alan Albrecht, Clarence Paulson, Gary Carroll, Jerry Rowe, Larry McLain, Richard Keister. Not Pictured: Bob Harms, Herman Voiles.

THE YEAR

at a Glance







Burning the effigy of the enemy highlights the Snake Dance.

HOMECOMING

Probably the most celebrated occasion in the school year is Homecoming. Sponsored by the Pep Club, the activities continue for three days. This year Homecoming was held October 6, 7, and 8.

The first event on Thursday night was the parade down State Street to the football field. At the head of the parade marched the band, followed by the king and queen candidates and the football team. Cheering the teams on were the cheerleaders and the student body. At the bonfire cheers and pep talks were given. When the dummy, representing the Marmion team, began to flame, the band struck up the school "Loyalty" and everyone chimed in. After the bonfire each class campaigned for its own candidates.

Friday night was the night for the big game. The Bucs with their spirits high led their school to the Homecoming victory over Marmion. At the main gate to the field, the voting for the king and queen took place. Only one vote was allowed for each ticket that was bought. Votes were also given to the band members, team mem-



Juniors make plans to win votes.



Hard working sophomores make posters.



Spirited pep talks arouse enthusiasm.

They come even from Hawaii to help the Seniors.



They scooped up votes but not enough.

WEEKEND

bers, cheerleaders, and managers. At the half of the varsity game, the queens rode around the field in open convertibles.

Before the Homecoming dance on Saturday night, an alumni banquet was given in honor of the classes of 1915, '24 and '25. This was a new project added by the Pep Club this year. Approximately one-hundred alumni attended the banquet and the dance. The theme of the dance, Kickoff Kapers, was carried out in the decorations of black silhouettes. The outstanding feature was the goalpost which was formed with footballs. On each football was the name of a player or manager. The highlight of the evening was the crowning of the king and queen. Bob Berry, the Pep Club president, served as emcee for the coronation ceremony. Using the opportunity to review the activities of the week-end, he kept everyone in tense suspense before announcing the winners. The 1955 king and queen were crowned by the retiring king and queen, Marv Schuster and Sallie Strate.

The 1955 Homecoming was a huge success and one that everyone will always remember.



Victorious Senior candidates, Judie Howlett and Roger Steinke, reign supreme.

THE COURT

Dave Curtis, Burnell Barr, Dave Smith, Marv Schuster, Queen Judie Howlett, King Roger Steinke, Sallie Strate, Julie Oliver, Kay Johnson, Sharon Burton.

CROWN BEARERS

Gregg Collins, Belinda Biggins.



Juniors wear paper hats to show class loyalty.



The dance climaxes the Homecoming weekend.



"Alf Redwards" emcees Homecoming pep skit.





Do you recognize these twins of twelve years ago?



THE TWINS OF TODAY

First Row: L. and L. Brooks. Second Row: B. and B. Leonard, J. and J. Voorhies. Third Row: J. and J. Cole, D. and D. Clausius.



Eight junior and senior girls are picked to work in the high school office. These girls spend one period each day collecting attendance slips, answering the telephone, typing, and running various errands for the office. They are paid ten dollars a semester by the Board of Education.

OFFICE HELPERS

First Row: Carol Leonard, Jeanne Ehlers, Bette Winne, Valerie Atkins, Loreen Koch. Second Row: Nancy Stroup, Sallie Strate, Jean Pineger.

The first day of school: From one line--to another.



These student janitors work???





"And did you hear.....?"



COOKS
Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Coleman, Mrs. Lane,
Mrs. Marshall.



6500 pennies will fill this jar.

Throughout the school year, the hungry students in district #100 may obtain a "type A" meal at Belvidere, Garden Prairie, and Caledonia school cafeterias. Serving the one-third daily nutritional requirements at the price of thirty-five cents for students and fifty cents for adults, the cafeterias operate on a non-profit basis. The low prices are due to the capable management of the cafeterias by Mr. McAllister and to the food surplus received from the federal government. By working during noon hour, many students earn their meals and contribute to the efficiency of the cafeteria.



Barbecues and baked beans invite a long cafeteria line.

Eager bargain hunters come to the Belvi sale.

Two heads are better than one.





This senior display captured first place.



The "First Christmas" scene took second place for the freshmen.



"On New Year's Eve we did the town." This is an expression common to the BHS couples who attended the PTA's annual New Year's Eve party. Everything was furnished by the PTA from the chaperones to the food. The only cost to the student was the 50 cent admission charge. For those who attended the dance stag, there was plenty of opportunity for entertainment in the game room upstairs. Just before midnight hats and confetti were distributed so that the new year would be greeted in style.

Semester exams are tiring for all... How 'bout it Bill?



Some juniors work; some juniors eat at the junior supper.





Intramural volleyball champs.

INTRAMURAL VOLLEYBALL CHAMPS

First Row: Dave Cregeen, Howard Wylde, Jerry Kimmey, Ron Stegemann. Second Row: Jim Johnson, Lyle Knop, Tom Lockinger, Don Clausius, Chuck Cowger, Bernie Swanson.



Intramural football champs.

INTRAMURAL FOOTBALL CHAMPS

First Row: Don Glaser, Howard Wylde, George McGee, Larry Rickleman. Second Row: Dave Steurer, Jim Greenlee, Roy Kiefer, Jim Johnson, Paul Rivers, Douglas Pearse.



Intramural basketball champs.

INTRAMURAL BASKETBALL CHAMPS

First Row: Jack Johnson, John Ede, Bill Beu, Lee Zierke. Second Row: Dave Smith, Jay Gorham, Steve O'Sullivan, Lohman Catron, Jerral Wimberley.

"Hey, don't take our picture!"

These girls from "The Land of Sky Blue Waters" add sparkle to a pep skit.





The many hands which have made our book possible cannot be overlooked. Mr. York McClary, our photographer, Miss Minerva Blackburn, our advisor, the faculty, and the students of B. H. S., all have had a hand in the production of our book, and all deserve our most sincere thanks.

THE BELVI STAFF

Myers
YEARBOOKS
in deep tone



